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Today is Read Across America Day Read a book with a young person

Inside Albany High music program crosses the digital divide [A10]



EL CERRITO High School student Alexander Manetas is presented with his award by Dennis Chan. Manetas won first place in the Physical Science 12th grade division of the West Contra Costa Science Fair with his study of magnetic field shielding.

Young scientists of the future honored

West Contra Costa Science Fair gives out 109 awards

Entries by local students were among those honored at the annual West Contra Costa Science Fair on Feb. 12 at Contra Costa College in Pablo.

Sponsored by the Council of Industries and the West Contra Costa Unified School District, the fair showed 165 projects from eight schools.

The Hal Magarian Memorial Award, including a cash prize, was given to Pinole Valley High School ninth-grader John Michael Janda Jr. His project was "The Effect of Rainfall on an Aquatic Ecosystem."

The Bill Tobin Award was presented to Alexander Manetas, a senior at El Cerrito High, for his project, "Magnetic Field Shielding."

The winners of special awards, with cash prizes, were Sartaj Sarkaria of Carquinez Middle School in El Cerrito, Robert Taunton from Juan Crespi Junior High School, Matthew Jande of Pinole Middle School, David Stacey Tanaka of Portola Middle School in El Cerrito and Kit San Chung of El Cerrito High.

A total of 109 awards were presented in behavioral, biological and physical sciences, and math and computer science.

First- and second-place winners are eligible to enter the San Francisco Bay Area Science Fair on March 10 at the San Francisco County Fair Building (Hall 10).

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EL CERRITO High junior Stephanie Teng receives her award from Dennis Chan for her entry on Frequencies of Musical Instruments and Mouthpieces.

Albany school officials threatened with recall

By Tom Lochner
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — School officials took a beating Tuesday from teachers and students for resisting demands for a 10 percent hike.

The outbreak, during a school board meeting, included threats to board members and a call to board president and schools superintendent to resign if the district would not settle with teachers by March.

Board members meanwhile continued to work on a menu of program cuts that could save the district more than \$1 million a year. A 10 percent increase in teacher salaries costs the district just over \$1 million a year.

Discussions between the two sides

have been testy since the school board in November rejected a 10 percent increase agreed to by district negotiators. Earlier, teachers turned down a 7 percent hike negotiated by the union.

"A promise is a promise and a promise should be kept," said Albany High 10th grader Ali Ramezanzadeh, urging the board to pay the 10 percent.

Albany Teachers Association President David DeHart said 10 percent is the minimum his members will accept.

Union and administration representatives will next meet with a state-appointed mediator March 15.

School officials say the district's financial picture has worsened since November and that today even a modest increase is impossible without cuts.

out cuts.

March 15 is the deadline for the district to issue pink slips to teachers. Board president Marsha Skinner said she expects a vote on a first round of cuts at a board meeting Tuesday. Other cuts will follow at a special meeting March 13, when the board will receive an interim budget report, Skinner said.

The board is considering eliminating some math, physics, chemistry, French, Spanish and art sections at Albany High; music and the 7th-grade seventh period at Albany Middle; and making cuts in music, science and visual and performing arts in the elementary schools. The cuts would eliminate the equivalent of more than 10 full-time teacher positions, two custodian positions and cuts in counselor hours.

On Tuesday, the board added the deputy superintendent's position to the list of possible cuts for a savings in salary and benefits of about \$118,000.

Many of the approximately 100 people in attendance Tuesday were leery to protest Superintendent Gary Mills' absence from a special meeting Feb. 22 due to a Hawaii vacation.

The growing aura of hostility prompted one speaker, the sister of a second-year teacher at Albany Middle School, to warn against bad after-effects that could last for many years.

"It's clear that something has gone considerably awry," said Andrea Mullarkey. "Let's let this be a healable situation."

City puts some cash in teen cafe's tip jar

By Clare Curley
STAFF WRITER

Fans of financially struggling Café Eclectica gave cheers of delight Monday when City Council members gave in to their request for an \$18,000 contribution to bail out the teen enterprise.

Despite Vice Mayor Peggy Thomson's pleas to stick with policy, council members Allan Maris, Jewel Ok. wachi and Mario DiPrisco voted in favor of the one-time-only contribution.

After much discussion, teens and volunteers spoke out in an effort to convince members that giving money to the cafe, located at 1309 Solano Avenue, was a worthwhile risk.

"I know more teens are going to be coming now," said Albany High School junior Miguel Irazabal, who volunteers at the cafe.

A primary claim of teens was that the city has not offered enough support of kids their age while doling out money to programs for other age groups.

One student said that allowing the cafe to close down would force teens to return to their former hangout in front of the local 7-Eleven.

"I see this as a space that didn't exist when I was in high school," argued Gianna Kalagian-Federico, an Americorp volunteer who works at the cafe.

She emphasized the job skills and artistic experience kids gain at the locale as a reason to help out.

Members of Community Learning Services (CLS), the group that provides fiscal oversight for the cafe, presented a report at the meeting in response to questions brought up at a prior meeting about the cafe.

"The cafe views every child 'at risk' who does not have involved adult role models," it states. "Café Eclectica provides teens with an alternative to 'just hanging out' and offers a way to participate in the community and make a positive difference."

Currently, the cafe has a bank balance of \$5,284.

According to the report, projected expenses for the year 2001-2002 amount to \$116,239. The \$17,976 from the city, combined with anticipated funding grants, would keep the operation out of the red.

The new money will contribute to pay for a manager (\$9,728) and pay for March-June rent (\$5,248), utilities (\$2,000), and Security & Improvements costs (\$1,000).

Other funding sources include the East Bay Community Foundation and local and business donations.

Carole Sly, the CLS Executive director, told the council, "Now that we have acquired the necessary health permits to serve prepared food, we need a cafe manager to oversee the food service."

The organization also provides a licensed nutritionist to give advice.

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City hesitates on group's request for parade support

By J.R. Deaton
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — A request for the city to sponsor this year's Sister Cities Parade and Multicultural Festival ran into problems at last week's City Council meeting. Questions were raised about the cost of a city sponsorship and about fairness issues.

After discussing the matter for some time, the council decided to continue it to its March 5 meeting when city staff will return with more information and recommendations.

Dr. Eve Ma, president of Celebrating Culture & Community, the group that organizes the annual parade and festival, made the sponsorship request at the Feb. 20 council meeting. Saturday, June 2, is the scheduled date for the third annual event that alternates its location between El Cerrito and Richmond each year.

The El Cerrito Human Relations Commission agreed at its February meeting to support the event. In January of this year, the Park and Recreation Commission referred Ma's request for free use of the Community Center to the City Council.

"We feel this is a great opportunity to promote the city of El Cerrito and its advantages," Ma said in her request to the council. "We hope that the city will co-sponsor as in the past. Specifically, we ask that the city provide the necessary police support, allow us some space in the publication that goes out to all city residents, sup-

port our use of the Community Center and engage in any other forms of support that it would seem indicated."

The estimated cost for El Cerrito to host the event in 1999 was \$2,369. Last year, when Richmond hosted, El Cerrito contributed approximately \$1,154, mostly for police parade route control and police planning. Projected costs for the upcoming parade and festival have not been completed, but Sandra Chapek, city employees services manager, estimates they will "closely mirror" 1999 event costs, with adjustment for employee salary increases.

Councilwoman Gina Brusatori said the parade sponsorship has been an "ad hoc request every year" and has not been considered in a competitive context, along with other competing interests. She differentiated between "hard dollar costs," such as city fees for use of the Community Center and "soft costs" such as police and staff time and planning.

"The city of El Cerrito has an opportunity to rent all or part of the Community Center, among its other buildings, for a fee," Brusatori told Ma. "Every other not-for-profit group has the ability to rent for a reduced fee, but in fact, they pay. You, for whatever reason, your group, believes that you should be treated differently, that you should not have to pay the hard-dollar costs."

The city sets three rental rates for

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Accessibility wins national recognition for El Cerrito

By J.R. Deaton
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — The city has won national recognition and \$2000 for efforts to make the community more accessible to people with disabilities. The National Organization on Dis-

ability, based in Washington, D.C., along with its sponsoring partner, the United Parcel Service, awarded second place (for cities under 50,000 people) to El Cerrito for outstanding disability programs.

El Cerrito was among seven cities

and three counties nationwide to win in the organization's Year 2001 Community Awards Competition. The annual competition recognizes "outstanding, exemplary local programs and efforts that expand the participation of citizens with disabilities in

the life of the community," according to the National Organization on Disability's announcement of the winners.

"El Cerrito, Calif., set the goal of making the city more accessible for people with a variety of disabilities,"

the announcement states. "The efforts resulted in audible traffic signals at all intersections on the major commercial street; a new accessible playground that serves

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WORTH CHECKING OUT

Free NEAT survivor course

The Neighborhood Emergency Assistance Teams program in El Cerrito and Kensington offers a comprehensive emergency preparedness survival course that includes hands-on practice of fire fighting, medical triage, search and rescue, and other skills. The course is offered four consecutive Thursday evenings from 7:15 to 9:15 p.m. from March 15 through April 5, with the hands-on Skills Practice Session on Saturday April 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Topics covered include home and neighborhood preparedness and organization, structural and non-structural hazard mitigation, utility control, fire suppression, hazardous materials awareness, emergency communications, disaster medicine and psychology, damage assessment, and search and rescue. The course is free. For location and reservation, call Pat Cattel, 510-525-7268.

Shoreline Bird Blitz

Join Phil Maynard and Steve Linsley on Sunday, March 4, for the annual Richmond Shoreline Bird Blitz. Learn to identify shore birds and waterfowl. In past years, we have identified 50-plus species, good for beginners and expert birders. Meet at the west side of the El Cerrito Del Norte Bart Station parking lot at 9 a.m. Participants will then carpool to different Richmond locations. Bring binoculars, snacks and walking shoes. Rain cancels.

Local art in foyer

The Albany Arts Committee announces the opening of a new exhibit, "Three-Ply," tapestries by local artist Carey Standley. The loom-woven tapestries will be on display March 4-May 24 at the Albany Community Center Foyer Gallery, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany. Made with an ancient and time-consuming technique, Standley's tapestries are striking and her imagery contemporary. This selection of tapestries embraces the complexity and subtleties involved in creating textiles woven on a loom. The opening reception is from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, March 4.

Spring Song and Arts

The Spring Song and Arts Festival will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 4, at the Albany Veterans' Memorial Building, 1325 Portland Ave.,

Memorial Park, Albany. Activities for the whole family include: arts and crafts-making, a silent auction, and special music for all ages, with singer Betsy Rose in concert at 1:30 p.m. She brings her special blend of wisdom, humor, and heart that invites the whole family to sing along and celebrate the earth, the power of love and the magic of childhood. Admission is \$6 per person/\$10 family. The festival is a fundraiser for Crestmont School, a parent co-op elementary school. For more information, call Billie Warden at 510-237-4164.

Bet on education at ECHS Casino Night

"Gambling" at blackjack, craps and roulette will be the main feature of the 8th annual Casino Night fundraiser to be presented by the Friends of El Cerrito High School from 7 to 11 p.m. on Friday April 6 at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane, El Cerrito. The community is encouraged to show their support by attending this fun-filled evening. Tickets (\$25 each and \$40 for two) include hors d'oeuvres, desserts and script for use at the tables. Throughout the evening additional script will be sold, prizes will be awarded, a DJ will provide music, and a no-host beer and wine bar will be open. The tables are run by professionals and instruction is provided for non-gamblers, so everyone is welcome. Needed are community sponsors, businesses and individuals to underwrite the cost of equipment rental, and prizes such as gift certificates and merchandise. Gaming table sponsorships are \$200 each. To sponsor a table, purchase tickets, or donate prizes, call chairperson, Janet McKnight at 510-525-3272. Advance ticket reservations are advised for Casino Night, ECHS's only all-school fundraiser. Proceeds will go towards an electronic message board in front of the school and scholarships to deserving graduating seniors.

Toddler Time at library

The Albany Library will be offering a toddler time for children 16 months to 36 months beginning March 8 and ending March 29. The program will be presented on Thursdays from 10:30 to 11 a.m. This fun-filled half hour will introduce parents and their children to

books, songs and games appropriate for the youngest readers. Parents must pre-register, and parental participation is a must. There is a limit of one child per adult, as each child needs a lap to sit on. To register, parents can call the children's desk at 510-526-3720 or visit the branch at 1247 Marin Ave. The program is funded through the support of the Y & H Soda Foundation to the Alameda County Library Foundation.

Pre School Story time

Pre-school Story time, for ages 3 to 5, resumes at the Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave., Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. The story time series runs through March 21. No sign-up is necessary. For more information, call the children's desk at the library, 526-3720.

Help Find Frogs

Learn how to take part in this year's Berkeley-to-El Sobrante frog survey, 7 p.m. on Monday, March 5, at Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin, Albany; or 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7, at El Sobrante Library, 4191 Appian Way (at San Pablo Dam Rd.), El Sobrante. Folk singer Nancy Schimmel will lead froggy songs. You'll learn about local frogs and toads and how to identify their chirps and croaks, then listen for calls after dark. Survey sponsors are Friends of Five Creeks, Friends of Baxter Creek, and SPANWERS (San Pablo Watershed Neighbors Education and Restoration Society). For information, call 510-848-9358, e-mail f5creeks@aol.com, or visit www.fivecreeks.org.

German language preschool

The Bay Area Kinder Stube preschool will hold an open house for prospective students and their families from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, March 3, at the school, 842 Key Route Blvd. (at Solano) in Albany. BAKS is an intimate, German-language based preschool for children ages 2-5. Our mission is to make German language development an integral part of the social-emotional, physical and cognitive development of the child. Enrollment is limited to 20 children. BAKS offers a full morning program Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Extended care is available from 1:30-5:30 p.m. three days a week. Details: Annamaria Torok, director, 510-525-3105.

POLICE REPORTS

Two car break-in suspects arrested

STAFF REPORT

EL CERRITO — On Feb. 19, shortly after 6 p.m., two young men and two teenage boys were arrested after they were caught allegedly breaking into a Toyota Celica in a car port on the 3300 block of Carlson Boulevard. An 18-year-old acted as a lookout while a 24-year-old tried to break in the car, according to a police report. When a witness confronted the group, they fled.

Police spoke to several witnesses who described the suspects, which helped them locate them near the intersection of San Pablo and Stockton avenues. The two adults were transported to the Main Detention Facility in Martinez, and the two juveniles were released to their parents.

Two men driving a stolen car were arrested after reportedly leading police on a high-speed chase in El Cerrito early the morning of Feb. 19. It began when officer Scott Clatt stopped the suspects, a 25-year-old Richmond resident and 21-year-old Pinole resident, near the intersection of San Pablo Avenue and Bayview Avenue. A check of the license plate showed that the car had been reported stolen to the Vallejo Police Department a week earlier.

The chase ended when the two suspects collided with a parked car at Bayview Avenue and South 56th Street. Both were transported to the

Main Detention Facility in Martinez.

The night of Feb. 17, police nabbed three juveniles suspected of stealing a purse from a woman near the intersection of San Pablo and Knott avenues while pretending to have a weapon, according to a report. Officer Scott Clatt said that around 11 p.m., he saw one of the youths running from the scene and heard a woman screaming for help. Officers located the other two suspects, who were also identified by the woman. Her purse was returned to her. The suspects were taken to juvenile hall.

The evening of Feb. 18, a 51-year-old El Cerrito man was arrested for allegedly manufacturing methamphetamine at his house, on the 700 block of Colusa Avenue.

Police reported that they showed up at the suspect's residence early in the morning with a search warrant and arrested him after discovering items used to make the illegal drug, as well as a quantity of the drug itself.

On Feb. 19, a 21-year-old Berkeley man was arrested on the 9900 block of San Pablo Avenue for assaulting a police officer, after he allegedly spit on El Cerrito officer Paul Keith during an investigation.

The suspect was being questioned along with another man around 6:15 a.m. following a report that the two of them were fighting in public.

In early February, a 38-year-old

woman reported that her Social Security number had been used by an unknown person to open a cellular phone account. The account occurred at Staples on 11540 Pablo Ave.

A 26-year-old man was arrested early in the morning on Feb. 19 for car theft, possession of burglary tools, and possession of a controlled substance. Arresting officer Scott Bonini said the suspect was driving a stolen car after he stopped in the 400 block of Oak Street and demonstrated he started the car by jacking it. A driver into the ignition was located in his possession when he was placed under arrest. The car was impounded and its owner contacted.

Police say they discovered a number of stolen checks on the old woman they arrested for car theft at Walgreens Drug Store, 11500 block of San Pablo Ave. Monday afternoon. At around 1 p.m. an officer responded to a report of a shoplifter being detained by the security. According to a report, the officer also provided false information in the booking process. The woman was charged with possession of stolen property, petty theft, and providing false information to a police officer.

Truck stolen, driver's license returned

By K. Osborn
CORRESPONDENT

ALBANY — About noon on Feb. 20, a resident on the 900 block of Evelyn Avenue reported that thieves had stolen the license plates from his car. There were no witnesses.

On the afternoon of Feb. 20, an employee of an auto repair shop on the 600 block of San Pablo Avenue reported that the person who had stolen his gray Nissan Maxima was in the business. He had reported the car as stolen in Richmond earlier in the day. Officers arrived and arrested the 23-year-old Crockett man for buying or receiving stolen property. He was transported to the Berkeley jail.

About 11:30 p.m. on Feb. 20, officers responded to a bar on the 600 block of San Pablo Avenue on reports of a customer acting unruly because the bartender had refused to serve him. Arriving officers learned the man had just left in an '88 Oldsmobile Cut-

lass. The 57-year-old El Cerrito man was located and found to be intoxicated. He was arrested for DUI.

On the afternoon of Feb. 21, a woman at a business on the 1300 block of Solano Avenue reported finding a hole in a window. There were no witnesses to the vandalism.

About 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 21, officers responded to the BART path near the 800 block of Masonic Avenue on reports of an intoxicated man walking northbound. Officers contacted the 41-year-old Richmond man, who was indeed found to be intoxicated and was arrested.

About 1:45 a.m. on Feb. 22, the CHP from the Hayward/Oakland office reported locating a gray '88 Toyota Camry that had been reported stolen from Albany. It was not damaged, and they did not have anyone in custody. The car was towed and the owner notified.

On the morning of Feb. 22, a res-

ident on the 1100 block of Darmouth Street reported that, during the night, thieves had stolen his black '91 truck that was parked in front of his home. There were no witnesses. Someone left the resident's driver's license on the front porch of his home in his wallet in the truck. Police are investigating.

On Feb. 22, officers detected a 41-year-old Berkeley man in the block of Darmouth Street who was drawing on a garage and spreading newspapers all over the grass. He was arrested for vandalism.

On the afternoon of Feb. 22, officers responded to a school on the 1000 block of Jackson Street on reports of vandalism. It appeared one had attempted to break into the offices and staff lounge.

About 9:30 p.m. on Feb. 22, an

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Focus on new Kelly-Moore Paint store

Albany Chamber

By Roxanne Wiley

We welcome the Kelly-Moore Paint and Wallcovering store to the city of Albany and the Chamber of Commerce.

Kelly-Moore is the largest independently owned paint company in the Western United States, with almost 100 stores in nine states. This store, located at 555 San Pablo Ave., is a hub of activity from the time it opens its doors, servicing contractors and everyday painters from 6 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, or 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday or 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday.

The manager, Kari Cissna, is an energetic young woman with many years of experience in the paint and hardware business. She has amassed an equally energetic staff of people who are all very gung-ho and want to develop this store to be one of the highest producers in this area. Naturally, their biggest customers are contractors who reap many benefits at this store, with discounts and interest-free accounts.

This management staff is very well equipped to match any color. The more difficult colors may take a day, but the store will come through. Employees: Cynthia Crowder, Head of Sales, was a receptionist for the company and wanted to be more active; Albert Johnson was brought by the Navy to the Bay Area, and he has made a career with Kelly Moore; Steve Lund, outside sales, has been there for five years and was previously with Fuller for 10 years — he is so "outside," I didn't get to meet him; and, lastly, Rosemary Bishoff, who keeps the books. Kari and her staff have the welcome mat out for painters of all types in the immediate area. Welcome, Kelly-Moore.



POSING IN THE Kelly-Moore parking lot are Albert Johnson, Kari Cissna, Rosemary Bishoff and Cynthia Crowder.

Albany Teen Center fifth annual flea market

Every year this time, The Teen Center provides a way for us to make a clean sweep of our closets and garages and help them as well as the center's fifth annual flea market. Clean out your old stuff and give it to them; it is just as simple as that. On the other hand, if you want to make some money and unload your own stuff, booths are available to rent for as little as \$20, which includes a 14-by-14-foot space, one table, two chairs and all the advertising that is available.

This event in March 10, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Albany Teen Center, 900 Buchanan St. (in the parking lot behind Oceanview Elementary School

playing field). Old stuff means housewares, furniture, clothing, tools, books, you know, stuff you don't use anymore.

To get donation information, call 510-526-0576. Go get busy, and clean out your old stuff so the Teen Center can sell it to others to become somebody's new stuff.

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WEST COUNTY SCHOOL WATCH

Hercules secession vote ill-conceived

The advisory vote on whether the City of Hercules should secede from the school district, Measure G, is on next Tuesday's (March 6) Hercules special election ballot.

Voters are being asked to cast a yes or no advisory vote on the following measure:

"Shall the people of the City of Hercules secede from the West Contra Costa Unified School District and form a new school district or merge with an adjoining school district?"

Everyone involved in the debate around Measure G agrees on one thing: without a careful and objective study regarding the costs and benefits of secession it is impossible to know whether such a move would have positive or negative consequences for the children served by our schools.

As worded, Measure G asks citi-

zens to cast an advisory vote, yes or no, on whether the City of Hercules should proceed with secession.

Proponents now say that the reason Measure G is on the ballot is to advise the City Council on whether to execute the necessary feasibility study. However, nowhere is such an analysis authorized, advised, or even mentioned in the language of the measure.

Proponents of Measure G also do not mention their intent to implement such a study in their ballot argument in favor of the measure, which provided ample space to list all of the reasons why voters should support Measure G.

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It is a very confusing time where the consequences of "yes" or a "no" vote have not been clearly explained to the voters. It has never been a clear explanation why the measure was put on the lot and what policy implications flow from either its passage or rejection.

The question also suffers from a variety of other technical problems. For example, one of the key issues facing Hercules (that will be addressed with the opening of the school year) is the need for a new school building.

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Residents monitor traffic control funding

By Clare Curley
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — As the city seeks more applicants to request traffic control measures for their streets, some residents already worry there won't be enough money to handle the few plans by city hands.

Several Traffic and Safety commissioners showed up at a recent Capital Improvement Projects meeting to get the latest scoop on traffic projects, as well as remind councilmembers where they stand.

While commissioner Ruth Ganong commended the City Council for approving such a comprehensive report — jailing such a comprehensive report — to buildings to sewers — her main concern was controlling traffic on her

On Ordway Avenue, we want speed bumps (a smaller version of a speed bump that limits vehicles to driving over 25 mph) to maintain the speed at 25 miles per hour. On the

block, 25 of the 26 neighbors have signed" the petition requesting them, said Ganong.

The city is in the midst of launching into a traffic calming process, but it has yet to work out all the details on funding the process.

Last fall it allotted an annual \$50,000 for calming measures outside of the main Marin Avenue stretch, and almost a fifth of that has been absorbed by other projects, like Marin signal improvements.

"We're here because we'd like to see something happen," said commissioner Lubov Mazur.

There may be nothing to see quite yet.

Though the Jan. 29 meeting was not intended for discussion, council members heard their concerns and said the item will be on their agenda in the next few months.

"Our concern is the city might need \$50,000 (to match) a Safe Routes grant," added Ganong.

The grant could mean a total of \$500,000 in money for new signs and safer streets surrounding schools in Albany.

But people might be jumping the gun, according to community development director Ann Chaney.

True, the city may have to pay a maximum of \$50,000 to match a Safe Routes. But the fact that they haven't even applied for it, that the amount could be less, and that, like last year, they might not be awarded the grant, make it a mute discussion, she said.

Also, by the time Albany received word on the grant, it will have received its next installation of traffic calming funds.

In fact, now that money is set aside, she is trying to seek out more people to petition for changes on their blocks.

So far only two petitions have been handed in, requesting speed tables, the least expensive item on the list of possibilities. Mid-block chokers, speed bumps, and other more pricey calming

measures are also an option, she said.

People at the meeting also worried about other projects, like one to test alternative calming measures along Marin, but the sources of such funds will be shifting around somewhat in the coming months.

Residents have the rest of the month to hand in their list of signatures for possible measures on their blocks.

And being the early bird doesn't mean getting the worm. Projects will be prioritized according to their relative urgency, and must already be on a list of some 50 possibilities the city has mapped out.

Residents can pay a visit to City Hall to pick up petitions, or to view the list. Feb. 28 is the deadline for handing in an application.

"This is still a prior of the city. I'm beginning to explore other funding sources," said Chaney, who received the first application last week. "I just want folks to know there is a limitation."

Less liberty at 2 intersections

By J.R. Deaton
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — Yield signs will soon become stop signs at two city intersections. Following the recommendations of the traffic engineer, last week the City Council approved new stop signs at the intersections of Donal Avenue and Liberty Street and at Gladys Avenue and Liberty Street.

Liberty Street, which is one-way northbound in this area, will remain unrestricted, but stop signs will go up at the Donal Avenue and Gladys Avenue approaches to Liberty.

"The traffic engineer's report concludes that because of restricted sight distance at both Donal and Gladys avenues and the absence of any traffic controls along Liberty Street, that the existing yield signs should be replaced at both intersections with stop signs," said Bruce King, maintenance and engineering services manager in his report to the council.

King said records shows only two

reported accidents at the Gladys Avenue intersection in the past six years and only three at the Donal Avenue intersection in the same time period. "It was also noted that the lack of stop signs at these intersections is a problem because it results in conflicts with the often faster moving traffic on Liberty Street," he said.

The traffic engineer, Steve Abrams of Abrams Associates, did not recommend creating an all-way stop at the intersections or any other changes, King noted, saying, "There did not appear to be any problem with vehicles exceeding the 25 mph speed limit on Liberty Street."

Abrams said the new stops "would not be a significant change to traffic circulation in the area since Liberty Street carries higher traffic volumes and is already the major street at these intersections." He also noted that the intersections meet the stop sign standards the city has established since the safe approach speeds are less than 10 mph.

EL CERRITO BRIEFS

Toddler Time offered at the Albany Library

The Albany Library will be offering a toddler time for children 16 months beginning March 8, and ending March 29. The 30-minute program will be presented on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and will introduce parents and their children to books, songs and games appropriate for the youngest readers.

Parents must pre-register and parental participation is a must. There is a limit of one child per adult, as each child needs a lap to sit on. Registration is now open. To register, parents can call the children's desk at 510-526-3720 or visit the Albany Library at 1247 Marin Ave. The library is wheelchair accessible.

"This is an excellent opportunity for parents and their toddlers to spend some time sharing books and language," said Bonnie Janssen, the branch's children's services coordinator. "This type of interaction is so important for the young child and

provides a foundation for their emergent literacy skills."

This program is funded through the support of the Y & H Soda Foundation to the Alameda County Library Foundation.

Dragonflies' secrets will be revealed at Friends' program

Meet some dragonflies at the Friends of Baxter Creek March meeting from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, at 11780 San Pablo Ave., Suite D, in El Cerrito.

Ever wondered about those flashy dragonflies fluttering around the nearest creek or pond? Come to a very special slide show on local dragonflies at the Friends of Baxter Creek's monthly meeting. Kathy Biggs, author of the only guide book on California dragonflies, will give a talk on these often underappreciated but beautiful insects, including how to identify them using size and wing color.

Biggs got started with her dragonfly fascination when she read an article that suggested changing unused swimming pools into garden ponds, which is exactly what she did. She'll share her secrets for creating a garden pond that attracts dragonflies and damselflies.

This event is funded in part by the California State Coastal Conservancy and coordinated by the Aquatic Outreach Institute. For more information, contact Apple Szostak of the Aquatic Outreach Institute at 510-231-5778 or apple@aoinstitute.org.

APAL awards ceremony is Saturday

On March 2 the Albany Police Activities League (APAL) will host its annual award ceremony for the outstanding athletes who participate in its basketball and wrestling programs. The ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. at the Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave. The evening's events will include a raffle to raise funds for its youth programs.

APAL would like to thank the following businesses for their donations to the raffle: Circuit City, Paramount's Great America, Nizza La Bella, Oaks Jewelers, Big 5 Sporting Goods, Six Flags Marine World, San Francisco Giants, Oakland A's, Al-

bany Pool, Mary and Joe's Sporting Goods, Tilden Park Golf Course, and Husby-Gerry Family Chiropractic.

The ceremony is APAL's largest annual fund-raising activity. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Albany Chamber of Commerce. Cash donations for direct use in APAL programs are also welcome. If you would like to make a donation, it can be mailed to the following address: APAL, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany 94706.

Choral artists performing in Kensington

The San Francisco Choral Artists, a 22-voice chamber choir with a varied repertoire and unique programming, performs at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 10, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 1 Lawson Place in Kensington.

The program will include "By The Waters Of Babylon: A Celebration of Psalms", and works by Allison, Bach, Brahms, Goudimel, Harlap, Ives, L'estocart, Mendelssohn, Pinkham, Poulenc, Purcell, Schumann, Singer, Sweetinck, Tarrow, Vivanco and others.

Tickets: \$17 general admission, \$14 seniors/students/disabled, \$12 groups of six or more.

Details: 415-979-5779 or www.sfcca.org.

Event commemorate Black History

The West Contra Costa Public Education Fund hosts "An Evening with Mary McLeod Bethune," renowned early 20th Century African American educator, as portrayed by Sandra Kamusikiri, professor of English at California State University, San Bernardino. The performance is at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the Contra Costa College Performing Arts Center. As a member of the Chautauqua Series, Dr. Kamusikiri appeared last October in El Cerrito portraying Biddy Mason, a former slave who moved to Los Angeles in the 1880s.

To obtain tickets, send a check to The Ed. Fund, 5 Alvarado Square, San

Pablo, CA 94806. Pre-paid tickets can be picked up at the door starting at 6:30 p.m. the night of the performance. Complimentary light refreshments will be served in the theater lobby from 6:30-7:15 p.m. Tickets: adults (18 and older) \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door; Senior citizens \$15. Students (no younger than grade 6) are \$6 in advance, \$8 at the door. Sweet Conclusion Reception: 50 tickets are available for an elegant dinner/champagne reception and an opportunity to "meet Mary McLeod Bethune" (Dr. Sandra Kamusikiri) immediately following the performance. Details: 510-233-1464.

OBITUARY

William Lacy, Albany Bowl co-founder, dies at age 80

William Boone Lacy, died at Alta Bates Hospital on Feb. 22. Bill and his father Frank Lacy built Albany Bowl in 1949 and operated it through 1984.

A lifelong resident of the East Bay, he was born in Berkeley on Jan. 30, 1921. He and his wife Patricia (1934-1988) had resided in Pinole since 1965.

He graduated as a music major from San Francisco State College and Stanford University. He served in the Army Signal Corp during World War II. He was a past presi-

dent of the Northern California Bowling Proprietors Association and Bowling Proprietors Association of America. He played jazz violin and arrange music for bands from junior high school through his service in WW II.

He is survived by his children, William Lacy of Weston, Conn., Craig Lacy of Bend, Ore., and Claudia Pisante of Albany, Calif., and his six grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Feb. 26 at Sunset View Mortuary in El Cerrito.



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Jimmy Carter might or might not be the best ex-president in our history. (Admirers of John Quincy Adams could contest that claim.) But there's no doubt as to who is the worst ex-president. And it's only been a month!

Now we Democrats know how the Republicans felt after Watergate: After years of denial, we're finally forced to admit that that our guy is just as bad as his enemies said he was.

If there's any consolation, it's that there seems to be a karmic law operating in American politics: Every time you sell your soul to the devil, you end up getting stomped.

The Republicans found that out during the '90s, when they got in bed with the radical right. Sure, it bought them some short-term advantage. But a few years later, they were stunned to find they'd alienated Mexican-Americans, African-Americans, women — in short, the fastest growing segments of the electorate.

And now, a similar fate has befallen us Democrats. We were so desperate to get the White House back after so many years in the wilderness, we were only too happy to sign on with this arrogant jerk. The result? We've lost the White House, the Congress, the courts and — most important — the moral high ground.

A month ago, I couldn't see how George W. Bush could possibly win re-election. Now I can't see how he can lose. And it serves us right.

The irony is that Jimmy Carter, who has been The Invisible Man in his own party for the



MARTIN SNAPP
Snapp Shots

last 20 years — he hasn't been invited to a Democratic convention since he got tagged with the "loser" label in 1980 — is now the party's man of the moment. Expect to see politicians who wouldn't have been caught dead in the same photo op with him a few months ago suddenly calling themselves "Carter Democrats."

Hypocrisy? Of course. We learned from the master over the last eight years.

Have you noticed that Democratic scandals are different from Republican scandals? Democratic scandals tend to be personal; they're usually about money or sex. Republican scandals, on the other hand, tend to be political; they're usually about attempts to subvert the Constitution, like Watergate and Iran-Contra.

Why? I think it goes along with another difference I've noticed between the two parties; namely, that Republicans tend to be nicer people, one-on-one, than Democrats.

I know I'm generalizing outrageously, but I firmly believe it has a grain of truth. I can't tell you the number of liberal politicians I've met who were great on the issues, but were also miserable human beings. Stories about liberal icons like Bella Abzug or William O. Douglas abusing their staffs are legion.

Richard Nixon, on the other

hand, was said to be very considerate to his valet. Ditto for Ronald Reagan and Jesse Helms. I think it's because liberals are so busy concentrating on solving the Big Picture, they don't have the time or energy to be nice to individuals. But conservatives aren't even aware that the Big Picture exists. So they have the leisure to be kind to what they'd call "the little people."

Most people — especially in civil liberties-minded Berkeley — would be upset if they found out the government was going through their garbage. But not Susan and Roy Bogas.

That's because they are \$500 richer as a result. They're the first winners of the Berkeley Ecology Center's Cash For Trash contest. The Ecology Center went through their garbage with a fine-tooth comb, but there was nary a recyclable to be found.

"The phone rang at 7 a.m.," recalls Susan, "and the man said he was calling from the Ecology Center and he had our garbage on a table in front of him. He wanted my permission to go through it. I said OK, and he said, 'Is it all right if Channel 2 films the whole thing?'"

"So I woke up my husband and said, 'Honey, wake up! Our garbage is going to be on TV!' We tuned to Channel 2, and there they were live, going through our trash. It was very exciting. It was even more exciting when they couldn't find any recyclables and awarded us the \$500."

Since the Trash For Cash contest is ongoing, I asked her for some hints about how we can win, too.

"We eat a lot of fresh food, so there isn't a lot to throw away," says Susan. "And I buy non-perishables in bulk, so I don't have a lot of packaging to get rid of. But

the biggest help is that the Ecology Center has greatly expanded the list of items it'll recycle. Now I can just throw all the paper together without having to sort it, as well as recycle my #1 and #2 bottles."

Sad faces on Oakland's Grand Avenue: Bugs the cat is dead.

Bugs, a female tortoise-shell, was the Queen of Grand Avenue for almost two decades, ever since she was rescued from a dumpster as a kitten.

For the first 15 years she lived at Tiffany's Pet Shop, right next to the Grand Lake Theater, where she won the hearts of the legions of admirers who often came into the store just to fuss over her.

When Tiffany's went belly-up five years ago, Bugs moved up the street to Second To None.

And her many fans and admirers duly followed her.

Then, when Second To None


folded last year, she moved across the street to the Vintage Parlor & Gallery and continued to sit on the counter and hold court there.

"She was the friendliest cat," says her last owner, Pamela Drake. "She loved to wash the faces of customers who leaned over to say hello to her."

Bugs was 18 years old when she died last week. Or maybe it's 19 or 20; nobody is quite sure. But one thing is certain: It's the end of an era. She'll be missed.

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Opinion

VIEWPOINT

When man's best friend becomes his enemy

The recent tragic death of a young San Francisco woman attacked by two dogs has elicited considerable advice on how to avoid such attacks and how to deal with them if they occur. Some of this advice is good as far as it goes, and some of it could get you hurt or killed.

How do I know this? I am not an expert on dogs, but I have had extensive experience with them for over six decades. And I have learned a lot about them. I have also consulted a veterinarian, who routinely handles aggressive dogs, and two police officers who train dogs for law enforcement work. Before you dog fanciers take a piece of me for speaking some harsh truths, know that I have owned seven dogs, been godfather—or "dogfather"—to another one, and long-time close friends with several more.

I am an unabashed dog lover whose life was saved by the family German shepherd. He dragged me out of the way of a car about to back over me when I was a toddler.

Here are some sound rules for dealing with dogs:

(1) Do not approach strange dogs, especially those tied up or confined in cars or behind fences. Believe warning signs.

(2) Train children to avoid strange dogs and never leave them alone where a dog can get at them.

(3) Don't disturb a dog that is eating or chewing on something or that has puppies.

(4) If set upon by a dog do not run. It will chase you down and bite you.

(5) Never try to break up fighting dogs with your hands. Ignorance of this last dictum has left me with a long scar on my hand. I acquired it as a child when I tried to break up a dog fight.

If there is a hose handy, use that to intervene with a stick or other implement. Dogs know when the side shift against them. People are afraid to avoid eye contact with a barking dog and remain motionless with their hands at their sides. The theory behind this is that by assuming "submissive" you will cause the dog to back off.

Use to be a "threat" to the attacking dog. This technique may work in some cases, but in others it may backfire. Like people, some dogs are psychotic and more are just bullies.

You may prefer letting some dog decide whether or not to have you for lunch, but I never have. Nor have I ever been bitten by a canine confrontation. If a dog shows hostility, and you can't put a barrier between you, block him with anything at hand. This might be a case, handbag, book bag, shopping cart, lawn furniture, bike, or even a cardboard box.

I used to carry a toolbox and use it as a number of times to fend off dogs. Having no hands with which to seize an object, they were at a great disadvantage.

If there is nothing with which to block the dog, look for a piece of wood, pipe, a garden tool, or anything that will put distance between you and the animal. Keep your implement pointed at his nose.

Presently held off two large dogs presenting the more aggressive with the end of my cane.

A sturdy cane or walking stick is an excellent defense. Dogs are afraid of them, and they can be used to job or strike with if necessary. Only once have I had to lay a cane to a dog. This brute barked and smaller dog down and was trying to kill her. I hit the attacker across the shoulders, and he fell like a rocket. My dog escaped injury.

If you are confronted by a pack of dogs, you should move motionless with your hands at your sides. They are programmed to go for your arm if you are something in your hand.

If you are also taught not to chew your arm if you do not resist or run, you would never take a dog to a pack unless I had a cane or walking stick with me. Most dogs will behave, but if you encounter the exception, you will need your own stick, as you are



DAVE GREER
Man About Town



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THE AUTHOR'S friend Fozzy, a prize-winning Norwich Terrier, takes a driving lesson on an ATV by the sea.

not likely to find anything useful for defense in a park. Let thy staff comfort thee, as it is illegal to pack a rod.

A large umbrella—preferably one of those black ones with a metal point on the end—is also excellent protection. A San Francisco man recently wrote that he had been saved by a stranger and his umbrella. The victim was knocked down and so badly bitten he lost consciousness. The bumsfoot welder almost certainly saved his life and that of his badly injured little dog.

The dog establishment advises people downed by a dog to curl into a ball with their hands over their ears and to remain motionless and silent. It is highly unlikely the man above would have been saved by this tactic.

Make every effort to stay on your feet when attacked by a dog. But if you go down, you are better off to cover your throat and face with your arms and fight your way back to your feet. There you can kick and may be able to get an implement or escape.

Calling out loudly for help could bring assistance and might actually help drive the dog off.

Here is what one veterinary suggests doing if you are caught in the open and have nothing with which to defend yourself: "Take two steps forward, point your hand at the dog and command loudly, 'Bad dog! Sit down!' Most dogs are familiar with this command. You must take authority and not be submissive. A strong offense is the best defense."

I did not know this technique—which is known as "posturing"—but came close to it a couple of times when attacked in the open by dogs. I stopped them short by taking a defensive stance and pointing my pocket knife at them. Dogs are afraid of anything in your hand. Holding your shoe or belt will at the least give you confidence and improve your "posture."

Pepper spray is very effective on dogs, but only if you get it in their eyes. (It is sold over-the-counter for about \$13.) Mace works on people, but not on dogs. A person not comfortable with the defensive measures I have mentioned would do well to keep a canister of spray handy.

Some of the most dangerous dogs are those few that attack without provocation and in complete silence. They often wait in ambush and strike from behind. If you see a dog trying to work around you, don't let him do it: he's aiming to snack on you.

Two dogs are exponentially more dangerous than one, as the pack mentality takes over. Several or more dogs in a pack are a serious threat to both animals and people. A pack caught one of my dogs in the woods and killed him. They also terrorized and bit people.

Fortunately, you can stand off a pack of dogs with a stick just as you can an individual dog. I learned this when I walked to work nightly through a vicious pack. Once you convince the

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IT'S READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY IN HONOR OF DR. SEUSS

"I DO NOT LIKE GREEN EGGS AND HAM. I DO NOT LIKE THEM, SAM I AM."



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Conservation conversation

What do a sweater, a dust cloth, a novel, and a manual can opener have in common? They represent a few of the many small choices each of us can make every day to conserve energy.

A household commitment to conserve energy can make a real difference, both in terms of the utility bill and in terms of sharing the available energy wisely. This concept can be called "share the load." We are sharing a limited resource, and if anyone uses too much, there is less available for others.

A sense of community purpose can grow from a neighborhood commitment to conservation. Getting to know our neighbors will help build bonds of concern and a mutual sense of responsibility. When we know who has special needs, we can form a buddy system to check on those who may have difficulties during power outages.

Some ideas for neighborhood conservation projects include: hold a neighborhood weather stripping and caulking party; have a neighborhood potluck featuring utility reduced dishes; promote sleepovers for neighborhood kids; and invite a special-needs neighbor over to share a meal, warmth, and companionship.

For more information on energy conservation, power outages, safety issues, and utility bill assistance, visit www.neat-teams.org.

The NEAT Program offers information and training in emergency preparedness through the El Cerrito-Kensington Fire Department. Beginning March 15, NEAT offers a free comprehensive preparedness training course with hands-on practice. For details, contact me at 510-525-7268.

By Pat Cafel

Pat Cafel is coordinator of the NEAT program.

An open letter to the Albany school board

I am a teacher, parent and Albany taxpayer. I have lived and taught in Albany for 17 years. Both of my sons graduated from Albany High. I would like to share my reactions to last week's board meeting.

It was very dismaying that Gary Mills continued with his personal plans and went on vacation at this time rather than attending to the very pressing business of our district. It shows his priorities are not what we need. His report giving no recommendations for cuts in the district office contained no facts or figures. What are the full costs to the district for each of the superintendents including benefits, tax sheltered annuities, car allowance and any other district paid expense?

I have worked in this district a long time, both when there were two and three administrators. If it is true that Berkeley runs a district superintendents three times our size, with two superintendents, can we not also man-

age? This would be a big savings away from cuts in programs and one that many feel should be considered. What do you say? If you looked closely, I am sure you would find many teachers putting in more hours than our superintendents at roughly half or less pay.

The budget report presented by Walter Wallace was long overdue and, with just a cursory glance from the public, seemed incomplete, misleading and full of errors. Costs were inflated and revenues underestimated.

The 3 percent Economic Uncertainty fund, instead of being carried over with a slight increase, was presented as cumulative, giving the impression that the teacher raises would push the district into bankruptcy. Grade 4/5 prep costs were counted twice because the teachers are part of the new hires, and it was then listed as a separate cost again.

The \$200,000 Gary Mills gave as projected savings were not counted at all. I have heard that the supplies and Conference and Professional Development expenses Gary says were cut were first doubled in this year's budget.

Can we please see comparison figures for the non-salary budget categories for the last few years? Because these major errors were so easily seen by the public, it is hard to believe that we have received the financial truth we need.

I believe we could initiate a more forward thinking management model here by raising the responsibility and pay for the site lead custodians and save on the large administrator's salary. Why do I keep feeling we are not getting the leadership we are paying for from our top administrators?

Finally, we are all counting on you, our elected School Board, to give teachers adequate pay raises to keep us current with the teachers in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Surely you are embarrassed that we are currently at the bottom of both counties.

I am sure you also understand the implication of such low pay for AUDS's future. Albany's ability to attract and retain the quality of teachers that have helped provide its reputation and ranking as a quality school district will not continue unless salaries are brought up substantially.

Teacher quality will slide down because the best qualified teachers will choose the best paying districts. We will not be able to attract or retain our young teachers, who, after a few years' experience, will choose to leave and be paid as much as \$13,000 more for doing the same job somewhere else.

We all know the quality of our schools comes down to the quality of the teachers. We all also know that in large part, property values in Albany rest on the quality of our schools. I await your thoughtful reply.

Victoria Sears

An uncomfortable association

It must be a rough season for the apolo-

gists in the University of California's office of community relations. Not only do they have to explain UC's refusal to grant the Depot for Creative Reuse a workable extension, but now they have to rationalize spraying herbicide on the Gill Tract right next to an elementary school and their own family student housing.

And, of course, they can't admit that both decisions seem to correlate with UC's deal with Novartis Corporation, a biotech conglomerate. Since the signing of this devil's pact, UC has forged heading toward a future of genetic engineering and chemical agriculture. In fact, shortly after the signing, it attacked both student run programs teaching organic farming methods.

So it's hardly comforting when the College of Natural Resources, which receives the money from Novartis, "believes that there is no danger to the children" from the spraying of glyphosate during school hours.

In fact, it's downright uncomfortable that the University of California has a financial interest in supporting rather than rigorously and unbiasedly testing this new and frightening technology of genetic engineering that creates crops resistant to glyphosate sprays (among other frightening possibilities).

Maybe it's just a coincidence that the building from which UC is trying to evict our beloved Depot for Creative Reuse just happens to also be used for biotech research. Smell a fluorescent rat?

Matt Azzel
Berkeley

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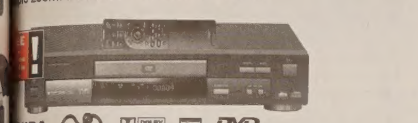
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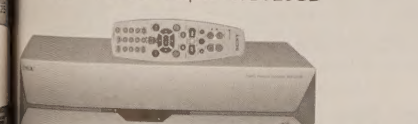
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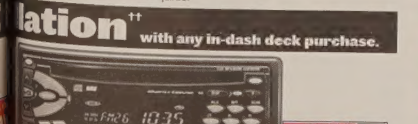
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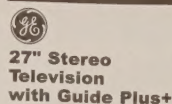


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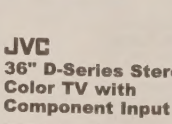
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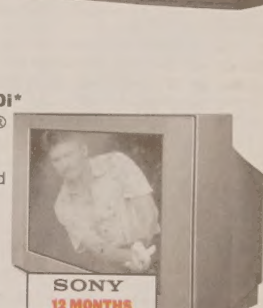
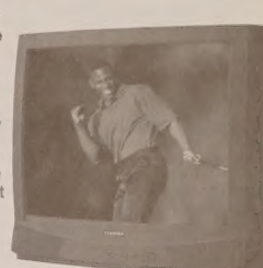
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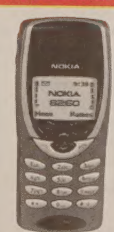
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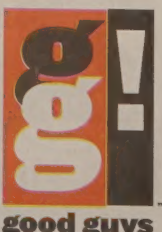
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EL CERRITO PTA NEWS

By Linda Takimoto
CORRESPONDENT

Bayside Council of PTAs

■ CONVENTION PRE-REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE NOW to Linda Takimoto, 1636 Navellier St., El Cerrito 94530.

■ Feb. 28, WAS the final deadline for all per capita dues for this academic year. Send to Melita Agbabiaka, 7628 Potrero, El Cerrito 94530 ASAP.

■ March 5, Council meeting, 7:00pm in the faculty room at Pinole Middle School, 1575 Mann St., Pinole. Agenda will include presentation of a slate of officers for next year's board and updating your unit's bylaws.

Adams Middle School

■ Feb. 26 - March 2, Reading Renaissance Program recognition of "Read Across America Day" - The school goal for this week is to read at least 15,000 pages during the third period Reading time.

■ Join Adams PTA - Membership is only \$6. Checks are payable to "Adams PTA". Our next PTA project is to help sponsor a student run store open on Wednesday mornings. Please mail all checks to Adams PTA, 5000 Patterson Circle, Richmond, CA 94805.

■ The Adams library is collecting empty computer ink jet cartridges (the small ink jet cartridges - black and/or color, no laser cartridges or copier toner cartridges). All proceeds are used to purchase computer-related materials for the library computers. There is a collection bucket in the library on the third floor.

■ We have received the Albertson Community Partner cards. Anyone who shops at Albertsons can help us by using the Albertson Community Partner card. There is no cost to the member. If you are interested in receiving a card, please send a note to the Adams PTA at 5000 Patterson Circle, Richmond, CA 94805 and a card will be sent to you. We are also participating in the Target Guest Card and eScrip program. If you are interested in helping, please call the PTA voice message line or send an email message to cchan2429@aol.com.

■ PTA Voice Message Line is 510-464-1360, ext 70 - Call this number to hear about upcoming events, Academy updates, minimum day

schedules and special dates.

■ PTA eMail - Weekly PTA bulletins are being sent. Any community members interested in subscribing should send their email address to Connie Chan Kucera at cchan2429@aol.com

Castro Elementary

■ March 7, Pizza Night, 5-8p.m. at Pizza Roma (located in the Safeway parking lot at Mooser and San Pablo Avenues in El Cerrito). Dine in or take out, mention Castro and 25 percent of the evenings sales will go to Castro School.

■ Fundraisers: Castro is enrolled in eScrip (ID#137627554), Albertson's, Target, and SchoolPop fundraising programs. Call Peggy Wilcox at 236-0761 to find out how you can benefit Castro when you shop.

El Cerrito High

■ March 7, GRAD NITE COMMITTEE MEETING, Rm. 812, 7:30pm. The theme has been chosen, plans have been drawn, and money is being raised. The following committees still need help: construction, casino/games, food, and volunteer sign up. Be a part of providing the students of the Class of 2001 with a "Safe and Sober Grad Nite" they will always remember. What a wonderful gift for our children. Any questions, contact Vickie Nolan: nope@aol.com.

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■ Want to be kept informed of all events, activities, tests date, college info, etc.? Join the ECHS email forum. All school notices will be emailed to you. To sign up, please email Joann Steck-Bayat at jsbayat@home.com. Be sure to specify that you would like to be added

to the ECHS email forum.

Harding Elementary

■ Scrip purchases - contact Holly Winter at 525-0273.

■ After School Classes include tennis, dance and drama. Call the school at 525-0273 or the El Cerrito Community Center for more details.

Portola Middle School

March 9, Pizza Night, 5-8p.m. at Pizza Roma (located in the Safeway parking lot at Mooser and San Pablo Avenues in El Cerrito). Dine in or take out, mention Portola and 25% of the evenings sales will go to Portola School.

March 20, Bands and Choir Concert - 7:00p.m. in the Portola Gym.

March 26, Music Parents meeting at 6:30p.m. and PTA meeting at 7:15p.m. in the library. Agenda items include elections for the 2001-2002 board.

March 28, Jazz bands concerts with a guest performance by Dave Black - 7:00p.m. in the Little Theater.

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Join Portola PTA - \$6 per person. Funds are used to supplement student programs and faculty needs. We also encourage you to get involved by volunteering. We look forward to meeting you. Send your check (payable to Portola PTA) to Nancy

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ALBANY PTA NEWS

By Kay Weinstein
CORRESPONDENT

Albany High School

■ Interested parents may receive the daily bulletin and important announcements by e-mail. Contact Ruth Gjerde at ruthg@eecs.berkeley.edu

■ March 2-4, March 9-11, Musical "West Side Story," Thurs. & Fri. 8 p.m., Sunday 4 p.m., AHS Little Theater, reserve tickets now by calling 559-6550 ext. 6588, \$7 adults, \$5 students/seniors

■ March 3, Steak Dinner & Raffle Fundraiser to benefit AHS Girls' Soccer Team, sponsored by Kensington Lions' Club at Masonic Center in El Cerrito, Seatings at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Tickets: \$20/adults, \$5/Child's Hot Dog Dinner, Raffle Tickets: \$1 or six for \$5. To reserve tickets, call Wendy Phillips at 525-4324 or wendyphillips@mind-spring.com

■ March 5, PTA Meeting, 7:15, AHS Library

■ March 12, Band Boosters Meeting, 7 p.m., AHS Band Room

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Albany Middle School

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■ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Homework Club, Monday-Thursday, 3:15-4:15 p.m., AMS Library. If available any day, e-mail Sara Danielson at sarad@albany.k12.ca.us

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Cornell Elementary

■ March 20, PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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Marin Elementary School

■ March 29, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m., Marin Multi-Purpose Room

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Ocean View Elementary School

■ March 28, PTA Meeting, Ocean View Library

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AUSD Board of Education

■ March 6, Special Meeting, Take Action on Program Reductions, 7 p.m., Location TBA

■ March 13, Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Location TBA

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Saturday evening, March 3. It promises to be a thrilling and energizing addition to any music lover's weekend. For you folks that can't get enough of the movie Amadeus, those of you that have the score virtually memorized, or even for those who've never sung it, this evening is for you! There are few opportunities to join voices with an orchestra just for fun! The inspiration for this annual Sing-Along comes from the many holiday sing-alongs of Handel's Messiah, to keep the Bay Area singing community engaged with a winter event that encourages the camaraderie of Bay Area choruses and friends to get together before the spring concert season, and, truth be told, to raise some much needed funds to purchase risers. The soloists for

the evening are well known throughout the Bay Area for their talents. Soprano Marcelle Dronkers is familiar to opera, oratorio and recital audiences. Alto Miriam Abramovitch sings mezzo-soprano during her real life as a recitalist. Tenor Douglas Wright has performed with the Berkeley Symphony Orchestra and with Chanticleer. Bass Richard Mix has appeared with nearly a dozen Bay Area opera companies.

Arlene Sagan founded Bella Musica 5 years ago with the intent to encourage local singers, instrumentalists, and composers to rehearse and perform a variety of styles and genres of music. The chorus is steadily growing, as the variety and repertoire is increasing, so too, does the quality of singers

and musicianship improve. The years audiences have attended the collaborations with Bay Area music groups and musicians, Composer-in-Residence Ann Callaway has delighted members and audiences. The spring concerts are scheduled for the weekend of April 28-29 with a program titled "Romantic?" featuring songs through the ages.

St. Joseph the Worker Church is located in the heart of the one block south of University 1640 Addison @ McGee. A lovely church is wheelchair accessible, and there is plenty of parking in the back. No, this isn't along to the movie Amadeus, there won't be lyrics on a screen, but there will be chorales available to borrow or purchase. Warm-up starts promptly 8:00pm. There is a suggested donation for refreshments will be appreciated. Check out the Bella Musica Website at www.bellamusic.org or call Arlene Sagan at (510) 539-5393 for more information.

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Watch

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high school this fall) is that residents are actually in two districts: West Contra Costa and John Swett. In order to form a new district serving all of Hercules, the city would need to secede from both districts. Yet, Swett is mentioned in the measure in front of voters. Does that mean that residents in that part of the city, and in other developments planned there, would not be part of a new district?

Albany

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was reported hearing glass break outside her home. Officers responded and discovered broken windows on a black '00 Toyota 4-runner. No one was seen.

On the morning of Feb. 25, officers contacted a 30-year-old man for suspicious activity. He was found to

At their town hall meeting last Friday, Hercules city council members seemed to indicate consensus on proceeding with a study about secession regardless of the outcome of Measure G. At the same meeting, school board President George Harris also offered to present to the school board a resolution calling for such a study.

We can and should proceed with such an analysis and, until it is done, no one can legitimately answer the question that is in front of the voters.

We have a lot of hard work to do together to create the kinds of schools and school district we all want. Mea-

have an outstanding warrant from Contra Costa County for possession of drugs and Failure to Appear. He was arrested, cited, and released with a Notice to Appear.

During the week of Feb. 19, officers towed five vehicles, responded to 20 false alarms, attended to two lost animals, and assisted three people who were locked out of their house or car. In the domestic arena, officers responded to 13 civil disturbances and 122 civil assists.

sure G does not provide any further tools for us to use as we advance this effort. Let's get on with the task of working together to improve our schools and not get bogged down in administrative and turf issues that could take years to resolve.

New middle school ceremony

Culminating years of hard work, citizens, students, school, and city officials gathered on Tuesday to break ground for the new Richmond Middle School.

Greer

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leader you are not his prey, the others are no trouble.

The dog lobby tells us there are no bad dogs, only bad owners. But because of unscrupulous breeders and for other reasons, some dogs are born mean and get worse. Health problems turn others violent. This apparently happened to a large, older Doberman owned by friends of ours. The dog bit two

people badly, but the family kept him until he bit one of them in the face and scared him for life. And then a guard company took the dog!

When an animal attacks a person without provocation, it should be put down before it maims or kills somebody. With dogs and people packed into the same limited space, increased interspecies conflict is inevitable. However, if we prepare ourselves mentally and take reasonable precautions, there is no reason to fear the animal that is indeed man's best friend.

transportation to ride many miles to get to school."

Speaking on behalf of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, John Ziesenhenn spoke to the positive economic consequences of both the construction and presence of the new school sparking a "renaissance on upper MacDonald Avenue."

Greg Feere of the Contra Costa Building and Construction Trades Council pledged his group's total support to bringing in the school, "on time, under budget, and, most importantly, safely." He encouraged local residents who would like to apply for apprenticeship positions on the project to contact him directly (925-

228-0900).

With the opening this fall of the new Hercules Middle/High School and the initiation of construction of the new Richmond Middle School, we're starting to realize some long awaited dreams to reduce overcrowding on our middle and high school campuses and develop quality school facilities for heretofore underserved communities.

Glen Price is a member of the WCUSD school board; opinions and views expressed here are his own and do not reflect official views or positions of the school board or WCUSD unless otherwise noted

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WCCUSD Board

March 7, Meeting - 7 p.m. in the Kenndy High School Cafeteria.

Items? Call Linda Takimoto at 237-6183 or email: ltakimoto@yahoo.com

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Toombs, Attn: Portola Membership, 8188 Terrace Dr., El Cerrito 94530.

WCCUSD Calendar

March 13, District Honor Band Concert - 7 p.m. at the Richmond Auditorium.

WOMEN IN BUSINESS

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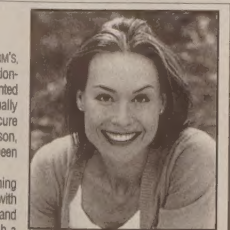
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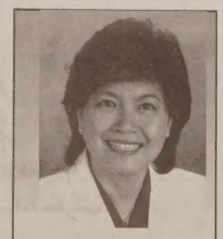
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Andrea graduated from the Academy of Arts College in San Francisco with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with honors. She also attended the Dominican College Liberal Arts program. Throughout the years, Andrea continues to give back to her community through various organizations • The Junior League of Oakland East Bay • Larkin Street Youth Center • San Francisco Children's Support League Show Houses • Black Hawk Christmas Tour • The Danny Foundation • The Anne Martin Center.



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Perseverance brings AHS music students into the digital age

Outside funding helps realize goal of state-of-art facility

By Clare Curley
STAFF WRITER

ALBANY — "This has been a long journey, but we're up and operating," Albany High School music teacher Tom Lilienthal told a group of students at a celebration last week.

The journey's destination is the school's new digital recording/music studio, for which Lilienthal spent three years seeking out grants and other funding sources.

The party Feb. 22 was the first time many parents got a chance to see first hand what it was all about.

Rhythm Bound, a group of students in the performing side of the class, played R&B tunes throughout the evening while parents were given tours of the studio where 14 students study the recording aspect of music.

Both teens and parents ate brownies and watched as three female students clad in black sang and swayed to the accompaniment of two saxo-

phones, a trumpet, a trombone, bass guitar and rhythm section.

Sean McKay gave tours of the studio where the class takes place. Shelves labeled "solos/ensembles/band/orchestra/jazz band/concert band" house countless packages of sheet music, as if to say, "we're in business."

"In the beginning we squished in about half the class," he said. The other half, those with musical experience, practiced outside the studio.

"We raised around \$30,000 for the equipment," said Lilienthal. "Many of the manufacturers either outright gave us gear or deeply discounted it so that they could 'partner' in our efforts for this project."

Now, in the face of probable program cuts districtwide, this class may be in luck.

The current source of funding for Lilienthal's salary is primarily R.O.R. (county funding), with some help from the Albany district budget. Additional expenses, such as supplies and consultant fees, are covered by the Albany High School Band Boosters.

Much of the funding went toward

state-of-the-art equipment, like omnidirectional microphones and a special music computer system.

Students have learned to navigate a rack-mounting space, large remote control and tracking machines.

McKay motioned to the computer screen, explaining, "This can pinpoint mistakes in songs and replace words like a word processor."

Fluorescent waves on the scene jumped up and down like a brain scan, marking each point in a given recording.

"We have yet to delve into this aspect of digital recording," Lilienthal added.

During breaks, a string quartet the students had recorded on a CD filled the room via speakers mounted on the wall.

Other students are more drawn to the musical side of the class.

Alex Burr, for one, says he's not as into recording music as he is singing and playing the guitar.

Another student, Michael Martin, who took guitar lessons with Lilienthal, said music is just a hobby for now.

But many participants talked

about how the program has changed their career aspirations and gave them a sense of what job options are available to them in the music industry.

Bonnie Lawrence was among the parents observing from the sidelines. "I'm thrilled the class exists at all," she said. "It's redirected my son's thinking about what college he wants to go to."

The class has really been in place since September, years after Lilienthal began planning for the program, but last week's grand opening waited until students had sunk their teeth into the new program.

The teacher thanked local busi-

nesses that supported the endeavor, particularly SFmusician.com, which raised \$4,000 to help jump-start the program.

Now he depends on continuous funding sources like this year's AHS Instrumental Music annual fundraiser, Groove Fest III, on March 16-17.

On Friday, March 16 at 7 p.m. in the Albany High School Little Theater, the Groove Fest will open with Lilienthal, a bassist, and friends featuring the return of Albany blues guitarist/vocalist Bobby Simmons.

Members of his group have recorded and toured with Tom Fogarty of Creedence Clearwater Re-

vival and performed with Shirelles, Drifters and more. They have performed at Concord and Monterey jazz festivals and friends.

Both evenings, the program followed by Albany High School and a set featuring the Albany Roll Band, ending with a performance by Rhythm Bound.

Tickets will be sold at \$4 for students and \$10 for the general public. Tickets for the entire year, so far, to sell out," Lilienthal said.

Award

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both children with disabilities and parents with disabilities; the city's library equipment was improved to accommodate persons with visual impairments; the community swim center improvements include barrier-free access, pool lift, locker room, shower and restroom accessibility. As a result, the city is a more welcoming environment for adults and children with disabilities."

Councilwoman Janet Abelson said it is an honor for El Cerrito to be so recognized. "I think it says a lot about our city and the way our city works with the community," Abelson said about the award. She praised the cooperative work between the city and Albany-El Cerrito Access, a non-profit organization that works to promote access in the two communities.

"City staff incorporated the group into their accessibility planning and processes and so forth — they were working together," Abelson said. "That's why they won, because of the

way that they worked together to do all these things added.

Abelson cited the award program on San Pablo and the accessible playground at Harding School and the accessibility improvements at the Swim Center. The city of El Cerrito has actually done a standing job in that regard for years," she said. The award will be used to add more awards at San Pablo and other locations which help the disabled and impaired cross the

Cafe

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Still, Thomsen told the teens and adult volunteers that she would like to help out the cafe, but that what they were requesting was unprecedented.

"If we're going to support a non-profit, we need to set up policy, a budget and a process, then have funds dispersed as a committee decides," she insisted.

She also stressed the importance of students learning about finances, knowledge that raising the money themselves would provide.

Councilman Jon Ely sided with her, pointing to the city's underpaid staff as an example of how tight funds already are.

Maris and Okawachi, however, both admit to having a soft spot for the enterprise, and called for making an exception to the rules.

One of the few residents opposed

to the contribution was local activist Evan Flavell, who worried about the implications of CLA money "intermingling" with the cafe.

Also, resident Dario Meniketti said he objected to the move purely on principal, since other non-profits like the YMCA and the Little League are expected to be self-sufficient.

The city typically does not make a habit of such donations.

A city staff report reads, "The City Council does not have a policy on donations to or support for not-for-profit activities or programs."

But it does support certain non-profits, like the Albany Police Activities League (APAL) and a local preschool.

It also pays a hefty sum for an after-school teen center geared toward junior high age students.

DiPrisco, who gave a somewhat unexpected swing vote in favor of the cafe, said the CLS report was the convincing factor.

"My initial reservations were con-

cerned more with information about CLS, the track record of the cafe and crime," he said. No real problems have been reported at the cafe as of yet.

Its new product line also boosted his opinion.

Though some questioned how many teens regularly frequent the place, weekend events have attracted as many as 60 people, said Albany Prevention Council co-chair Kristina Osborn, a weekly volunteer.

The cafe has exhibited art shows, hosted improv, screened a film made by high schoolers, and recently added nachos, sandwiches, smoothies and chicken teriyaki to the menu.

The council has not announced where the money will be made up, except to say it will come out of the city's recreational fund.

Budget talks will come back to the table later this month. One possibility is to raise the fees of the city's "self-sufficient" classes like flower arranging and yoga.

Science

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of Flowers) in Golden Gate Park.

This year's local winners were:

El Cerrito High School

11th grade — Mathematics and computers: Kit San Chung, "Exploring Nonlinear Powers," first place; Jenny Pang, "Lissajous Figures," second place; and Travis Stadelman, "Spectrum of the Pythagorean Theorem," second place. Physical science: Lydia Chilton, "Toward Energy Self-Reliance," second place; Kai Jye Lou, "Wavebreakers," first place; Christopher Negoro, "Dynamics of a Bouncing Basketball," second place; Stephanie Teng, "Frequencies of Musical Instruments and Mouthpieces," third place; and Nancy Tsai, "Energy Transfer in Water Waves," third place. 12th grade — Physical science: Alexander Manetas, "Magnetic Field Shielding," first place.

Portola Middle School

Seventh grade — Behavioral science: Sophie Mayer, "Is What You See, What You Taste?" second place; and Victoria Rothacher, "Sun Sign," second place. Biology: Eytner Bjornson, "Does Tobacco Affect Plants?" third place; Christina Lee, "Do Different Types of Water Solutions Affect Plant Growth?" third place; Alex Pfeiffer-Rosenbaum, "The Effect of Runoff Pollutants on Pond Water," fourth place; Stacey Tanaka, "You Are Getting on My Nerves!" first place; and Troy Viseneau,

"Coke Rules, Sprite Drolls," second place. Mathematics and computers: Jared Ishikawa, "Probably So," second place. Physical Science: Lucia Carrousel, "Which Battery Gives You the Most Energy for Your Money?" third place; Bronwen Harrison-Shermon, "Science Sublime," third place; Brett Hayashida, "Which Bridge Is Strongest?" third place; Madeline Meason, "Oil and Water," third place; and Georgia Tapp, "Does Drinking Warm and Cold Liquids Affect Your Singing Voice?" second place.

Eighth grade — Behavioral science: Jenny Lacy, "Is There a Relationship Between Vehicle Color and Speeding?" third place; and Darryl Mishima, "Do You React Faster to Sight or Sound?" second place. Biology: David Ball, "Light + Color = Plant Growth?" first place; Kyson Bunthuwong, "Which Antibacterial Hand Cleanser Is the Most Effective in Removing Bacteria?" third place; Philip Dutton, "Backyard Egg Production," second place; and Sarah Guthrie, "Do Worms Affect the Growth of Radishes?" fourth place. Mathematics and computers: Caitlin Kaki, "Bizarre Ballots Benefit Buchanan" first place; and Mitchell Thompson, "Lefty, the One-Eyed Robotic Traveller," second place. Physical science: Allison Dedrick, "Removing Chloramines from Tap Water," third place; Michael Jaffe, "Polarized Artforms," third place; Shireen Khambatta, "Model Rocket Design," second place; Andrew Klassen, "Vibrations of a Guitar," second place; and Devyn Wells, "Optimizing a Solenoid Magnet" second place.

Adams Middle School

Seventh grade — Biology: Kohnen Ryan, "Growing Green," fourth place; Shalini Kohnen, "Radishes in Different Soils," fourth place; and Rachel Kuen, "Pot or Not?" fourth place. Physical science: Lauren Martinez, "Which is third place; and Karen West, "Baby, Ball," third place. Kennedy High School 10th grade — Physical science: Garcia, "Will It Stick?" second place; Artemio Guerra, "Pacrus Reg place; Sara Mendoza, "Is The Medicine?" third place; and Smith, "How Acid Works?" fourth place. 11th grade — Biology: Presley Sprout or Not to Sprout?" fourth place; and Tavia Terry, "Quick Sprout place. Physical science: Hollingquist, "Exchange Pig" place; and Thani Nguyen, "Rice" fourth place. 12th grade — Mathematics and computers: Greg Jones, "The M place; and Sarah Guthrie, "Do Worms Affect the Growth of Radishes?" fourth place. Physical science: Allison Dedrick, "Removing Chloramines from Tap Water," third place; Michael Jaffe, "Polarized Artforms," third place; Shireen Khambatta, "Model Rocket Design," second place; Andrew Klassen, "Vibrations of a Guitar," second place; and Devyn Wells, "Optimizing a Solenoid Magnet" second place.

Parade

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use of the Community Center: The hall rents for \$104 an hour to private groups, \$65 an hour to non-profit organizations and \$25 an hour to city-sponsored non-profit groups.

"I'm comfortable with supporting the event in the sense that it's a swell thing; I'm not comfortable with writing a check for the third year," Brusatori said.

Councilwoman Janet Abelson said the problem is that the council lacks a prioritization process by which different groups can apply for city sponsorship of their events. "It seems to me that is something that we need to work out; we can't ask Dr. Ma to

work that out," she said. "We need to work out that process ourselves."

Councilman Mark Friedman said the establishment of a city arts commission would be helpful for such city-sponsorship requests, adding, "That is the appropriate place for requests such as these." He suggested that the council endorse the event without making a money commitment and develop a more comprehensive policy that addresses Brusatori's concerns.

Ma said that when she went to the city's commissions and City Council, she was only doing as instructed by city officials. "I followed what I was told to do," she said. Ma also said that sometime in the future the council will need to decide what its role will be in future sister cities events. "We need to know, and the City Council

needs to know, what they want to do about this thing," she said.

At next week's council meeting, city staff will present plans to establish a procedure by which different groups can make their case at budget time for city sponsorship of their events. A process to identify and differentiate between "soft costs" and "hard dollars" will be included. The city's Financial Advisory Board will also be asked to review the issue of city sponsorship of events.

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Section B

Weekly Home Sales Maintain your focus on the East Bay real estate scene [B6]
Open Home Guide See what's on sale in your neighborhood [B10]

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Why should you consider refinancing your mortgage?

As anticipation runs high that mortgage interest rates will be considerably reduced, millions wonder if they should refinance their home mortgages.

There are two broad reasons to refinance: The first is to reduce your interest rate, term of your loan and (possibly) the payment or to fix an adjustable rate mortgage (called a no-cash-out refinance).

The second is to use some of the equity in the property for home improvement, debt consolidation, investment (called a cash-out refinance). Whatever the reason, the first concern should be to determine the costs justify the results?

These costs include the loan origination points (a point is 1 percent of the loan amount and is also known as "prepaid interest" — the higher the points, the lower the interest rate) and fees for processing paperwork: the credit report, escrow, title, underwriting, drawing documents, funding and assorted miscellaneous escrow functions.

Excluding the loan origination points, a good rule of thumb is that the non-recurring closing costs should run about 1.5 percent of the loan amount for loans of \$150,000 and higher.

The percentage is somewhat higher for smaller loans and somewhat lower for loans greater than \$400,000.

So what about all those advertisements for "no-cost" loans on television and in the newspapers? A no-cost loan simply carries a high enough interest rate so that the lender essentially finances the costs over the life of the loan.

Mortgage Madeover



By Karen Senzig

The borrower will have a loan amount equal to the principal payoff of the current mortgage(s), but the interest rate will be much higher than when the borrower finances the costs by adding the loan costs to the principal payoff and increasing the new loan amount.

Surprisingly, as long as there is adequate equity in the property, financing the costs to obtain a lower interest rate and increasing the new loan amount will reduce the payment over a no-cost loan.

The general formula for figuring if paying the non-recurring closing costs makes sense as part of the refinance is easy.

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Let's look at a borrower with loan balance of \$250,000, reduced from the original amount of \$260,000. The current mortgage is a 30-year amortized adjustable-rate

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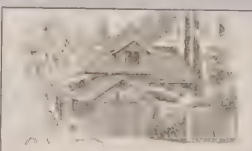
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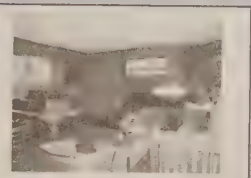


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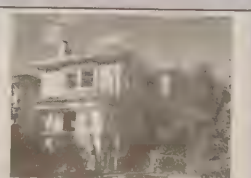
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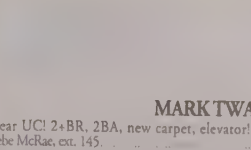
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Riding a piece of history: the Tilden Park Carousel

The call came early in the morning, on the day I was preparing to leave for a Greyhound Bus tour of the East Coast during the Bicentennial Summer of 1976. It was from the director of the National Registry of Historic Places, at the Department of the Interior in Washington D.C.. He was calling in response to an application for the National Register for a very unusual piece of history; a 1911 carousel.

A few weeks earlier, I had filled out all of the paperwork to nominate the Tilden Park Carousel for inclusion on the National Register, to help save it from imminent demolition. So I was pleasantly surprised to hear from the director already, less than two weeks after he had received the nomination.

"I just wanted to tell you the good news right away," he said cheerfully. "We decided in our meeting this morning to move your nomination up to the head of the list, because of its urgent nature. We just voted on it, and the carousel was approved unanimously. Congratulations, the Tilden Park Carousel is now a National Historic Site!"

After my initial euphoria, I expressed my sincere thanks for the prompt work that the National Register committee had done. Then I asked the director what it was that had made him feel the carousel was important enough to deserve such special treatment.

"That's simple," he answered. "I'm planning to take my family out to the Bay Area for a vacation this summer, and I want my kids to be able to enjoy that carousel. After all, how many historic landmarks can you ride on?"

I have remembered that conversation vividly ever since that day, especially the director's comment about historic landmarks that one can ride. There are only a handful of such structures in the Bay Area, but

In 1948, this venerable piece of folk art from the golden age of carousels was sold, disassembled, and moved to Tilden Park in the Berkeley hills, where it has remained ever since.

each one enhances the quality of life for the people living in the surrounding area. And thus, these unique "moving pieces of history" increase the property values of all of the homes in the vicinity, since they contribute to the greater enjoyment of family life for local residents.

The story of the carousel in Tilden Park is an especially inspiring one. It combines the tale of a hard fought, ultimately successful historic preservation battle, with a colorful example of Edwardian Era Americana that is literally an irreplaceable piece of folk art.

The neighborhoods adjoining Tilden Park are the North Berkeley hills and the town of Kensington, an unincorporated part of Contra Costa County. The houses in these districts are mostly single family homes, occupied by middle class families with children ranging in age from toddlers to high school students.

This is clearly the main reason that there was such a spontaneous outcry when the private company that owned the carousel decided to stop operating it in the mid 1970s. That outcry grew to alarm, and then determined action, when the East Bay Regional Park District's Board of Directors refused at first to buy this charming piece of history and operate it as a publicly owned facility.

The Tilden Park Carousel was built in 1911 by the nationally renowned firm of Hershell Spielman Company in New York City. It was housed for many years in a wooden

shed near the Griffith Park Observatory in Los Angeles, where children and adults came from all over Southern California to enjoy riding on it for nearly two generations.

Then in 1948, this venerable piece of folk art from the golden age of carousels was sold, disassembled, and moved to Tilden Park in the Berkeley hills, where it has remained ever since. The shed that houses it there was copied from the one in Griffith Park, and it has an unusual, nearly geodesic dome shape to its roof.

There are 40 wooden animals lining the original outer rows of the machine, (several newer animals were added in later years). These figures comprise no fewer than 14 varieties of hand-carved, gaily painted creatures, both real and mythical, including giraffes, frogs, horses, deer, tigers, cats, rabbits roosters and dragons.

Besides the wooden animals, there are also two band organs that grind out Ragtime Era music for patrons to enjoy as they go whirling around on this fantasy creation. The one in the middle is the original one, which is beneath brightly painted panels, depicting scenes of rugged seascapes and romantic landscapes.

The other band organ stand to the side of the carousel, and is about ten feet high and fifteen feet wide. It was built in 1910, and was brought to Tilden Park separately. It is decorated with ornate, gilded scrollwork, and in the center is a miniature painted wooden figure of a female band leader dressed in Edwardian Era costume.

This joyous creation was threatened with dismantling and removal in 1976. The East Bay Regional Park's Board of Directors decided that they did not want to spend the minimum cost of \$25,000 that was estimated for deferred maintenance on the carousel and band organs.

They also objected to the ongoing cost of maintaining the old carousel in its original, historic condition. They suggested that a brand new carousel, with molded plastic or

Owning A Piece of History



By Mark A. Wilson

aluminum animals, would be an ideal replacement for "outworn wooden animals."

Happily, a grass roots, East Bay-wide organization was quickly formed to fight this plan. It was called the Committee to Save the Carousel. I joined this committee soon after it was formed, and attended several of its meetings in members living rooms.

We got thousands of East Bay citizens' signatures on petitions, began a fundraising drive which collected a large portion of the money need to restore the carousel, and held public rallies near the carousel, some of which were covered by various local television stations.

Finally, after months of mounting public pressure, and then its official designation as a National Historic Place, the park's board of directors agreed to purchase and restore the original carousel. This result proved conclusively that, with enough dedication and public support, a historic preservation effort can succeed to everyone's benefit.

The Tilden Park Carousel is located in the center of Tilden Park. It can be reached by going north on Arlington Avenue Marin, then turning right on it to Spruce Street, then going along Spruce to Canyon Road, then down Canyon to Valley, and finally right on Valley until you see the signs for the carousel.

The carousel is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, and daily during summer vacation time. For 50 cents per ride, there is no greater thrill for children of all ages.

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A look around the East Bay real estate community

News and information for and about the area real estate community and affiliated industries.

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Alameda Inform Meeting

The public is always welcome at the Inform Meeting. The Inform is sponsored by the Alameda Association of Realtors. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month. The next meeting is Tuesday, March 13 beginning at 8:30 a.m. The location is the Garden Isle Community Center on Melrose Avenue in Alameda. The topic of discussion is "The Energy Crisis: How It Will Affect Alameda." General Manager Junona Jonas and Marketing Manager Bill Garvine of Alameda Power & Telecommunications will be the keynote speakers. For more information contact Connie Hanna of Harbor Bay Realty at 510-814-4814.

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mortgage at 8.5 percent (and the rate seems to be rising every month). The current principal and interest payment is \$1,999.24. The borrower is only interested in reducing the payment, getting a low fixed rate and does not want to come up with any cash out of pocket.

So, although the payoff is at \$250,000, non-recurring closing costs with 2 points for loan origination plus accrued interest on the old loan makes a new loan amount of \$258,750.

The 2-point loan interest rate is 6.875 percent. The new principal and interest payment is \$1,699.89. The difference between the old and new payments is \$299.35. The closing costs, including the prepaid interest, are \$8,750. When you divide \$8,750 by \$299.35 you get 29.23 months or 2.44 years to break even.

So as long as the borrower plans to keep the home for more than two and a half years, it makes sense to refinance. But let's not forget compare a no-point loan. The interest rate would be 7.25 percent, the loan

amount would be reduced to \$256,000 and the principal and interest payment \$1,746.45. Although still a considerable savings with a difference of \$252.79 per month, it still takes 23.81 months or just under two years to break even.

A no-cost loan would carry and interest rate of 7.875 percent. The loan amount would include prepaid interest on the new loan and accrued interest on the old loan. The new loan amount would be \$252,000. The principal and interest payment jumps to \$1,827.24.

Again, the borrow still saves money — \$172 per month — but let's say that this borrower really doesn't want to refinance every year and start over at owing the lender for the next 30 years.

So the borrower should stick to 6.875 percent 2 points. That is, unless next year the rate drops to 5.875 percent, then we'll start the discussion all over again. Another reason they call it mortgage madness.

Karen Senzig is co-owner of Montclair Mortgage with her husband, Scott. She can be reached 510-339-8511, fax 510-339-3814, e-mail at ksenzig@aol.com. Please contact her with any mortgage questions and/or topics for discussion.

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- An entire room can be done in just a day.
- In many cases paneling has more depth and texture than do other options.



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On the House

■ Paneling is a relatively clean process.

■ It doesn't require a lot of skill, and only a few tools are needed. Granted, there are some types of paneling that are very thick and difficult to install, but most lighter-weight types can be installed onto 8- or 9-foot-tall walls in no time.

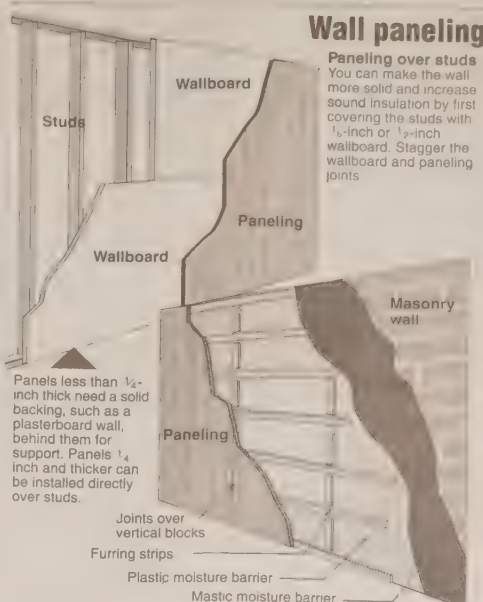
Do it the right way

First, clear the room or move all the furniture to the middle. Next, remove all the baseboard, door trim (casings) and crown molding. A flat pry bar and hammer make light work of this task. Remove these items carefully so that they can be reused.

Use a level or a plumb bob to draw a perfectly vertical line anywhere on the wall. If the line aligns with the stud layout within the wall, attaching the paneling with nails will be a breeze. (More about that later.) Measure from this line to the corners at both ends of the wall (top, center and bottom). If the three measurements are not equal, it means that the corners are crooked and that the paneling might have to be trimmed to match. Although corner trim usually covers such irregularities, there are times when trimming becomes necessary.

If the paneling is too tall, be sure to cut the bottom edge rather than the top. Whereas the bottom of the paneling is usually covered with baseboard, the top often is bare. Having a straight factory-cut edge at the top will provide for a perfect wall-to-ceiling connection and have your friends wondering how you made such perfect cuts.

The first piece of paneling on each wall is always installed the same way. Gently push the paneling



Over concrete or concrete block

Apply a coat of asphalt mastic (with or without plastic film over it) as a vapor barrier. Attach horizontal 1-by-2 furring strips every 16 inches. Attach vertical furring blocks between the horizontal strips at 48-inch intervals. Lay out the paneling so that the joints fall over these vertical blocks. Once the support system is in place, attach the paneling with either nails or adhesive.

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against the ceiling holding one edge next to, and in exact alignment with, your vertical reference mark. Paneling nails (colored to match the paneling) eliminate the need to putty holes and are nearly invisible. Nailing into studs gives a good result, yet a glued installation often works just as well. We suggest both. If the reference line was properly centered on the stud layout, there is a good chance that every paneling joint will fall on a stud allowing full nailing at the joints.

Unless there is a specific reason to the contrary, always install sheet paneling vertically. This reduces the number of joints, yielding a more

professional result. If your wall height is greater than 8 feet, look into 9- or 10-foot-long sheets. With paneling, fewer joints are better.

Next comes baseboard and door trim. Install your door trim before beginning the baseboard. Your paneled wall is now thicker. Therefore, the door jams no longer align with the wall surface.

Here you will have to fur out the door jamb by adding a piece of wood, causing the jamb to align again with the wall.

With the casings in place, the baseboard can be reinstalled

see PANELING on page B4

Tech Faire 2001 on the horizon

By Bobbie Reid

CORRESPONDENT

Tech Faire 2001 is about to launch. If you have "The Right Stuff" then join the crew and soar into the multi-faceted world of Hi-Tech. The journey begins on Monday, March 26 and completes its orbit on Friday, March 30.

"Shuttle crews" of the Alameda, Delta, Oakland and West Contra Costa Associations of Realtors have combined efforts to promote and sponsor this event. Greg Fujita of Harbor Bay Realty in Alameda is the event Chairperson (Commander).

Training and a show

There will be five days of training for real estate professionals. The purpose is to educate Realtors on today's computer technology relating to the industry.

Tech Faire 2001 concludes on Friday with a vendor trade show. The fair will be held in the Pavilion at Scott's Sea Food Restaurant in Oakland's Jack London Square.

Training begins on Monday, March 26 with "CRS 206 — Using Today's Technology." A department of real estate accredited course designed to help earn a CRS designation.

Two other, two-day training sessions are scheduled. "Beginners' Hands-On" is suggested for those with limited computer experience who want to learn more.

"Tech Retreat II" is geared toward those agents who have

their own laptops and want to learn all the bells and whistles available for effective business and marketing use.

On Friday, March 30 a variety of hour-long seminars are available. The sessions are designed to give an overview of many computer basics needed in the marketplace.

The Vendor Trade Faire begins Friday at 10 a.m. and is open until 4 p.m. Complimentary refreshments and a no-host bar are offered at noon. Admission is free.

Vendors wanted

Tech Faire 2001 is looking for technology-based vendors. Vendor Booth and Product Workshop opportunities are still available. There are also sponsorship opportunities that promise a lot of bang for your buck.

The fair will attract real estate professionals from throughout the East Bay. There are four levels of sponsorship offered and each provides sponsor recognition and more.

Don't let this starship launch without you. To sign up contact your local association.

For general information call the Alameda Association of Realtors at 510-523-7229. For vendor and sponsor information call Donna Smyth of North American Title at 510-561-1477 or e-mail at dsmyth@natic.com.

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TECH FAIR 2001 PLANNED

The Alameda Association of Realtors and the Oakland Association of Realtors are planning a five-day Tech Faire 2001. The fair is scheduled for March 26 through March 30. There will be five days of training for real estate professionals. The purpose is to educate Realtors on today's computer technology relating to the industry. The Fair begins on Friday, with a vendor trade show. Greg Fujita of Harbor Bay Realty in Alameda is chairing the event. Watch this space for more details or call Greg at 510-523-7229 or OAR at 415-364-3000.

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WERE DID THEY GO-WHAT THEY DO?

Marjorie Hill of Thornhill Properties in Berkeley is back after her yearly sabbatical. She returned from four months abroad. She lived in the village of Gstaad, in a thatched roof hut. More than "Survivor" and reality show fame, she strayed for long periods from her real estate career. She found things out below the border. In Mexico is according to Hill, "America" now buy on their own. She was surprised to see many offices with familiar names. If you wish to know more, just call her at 415-950-242.

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The 'cute factor' gets them every time

Looking back: True experience number 245 from June 1998

It occurs to me that maybe I never said all there is to say about fixing up houses for sale. On a number of occasions I've urged would-be sellers to clean and fix and polish their houses, make them spare and clean and appealing.

This is because many buyers want to buy something with maximum appeal. They are willing to pay more for a house that charms them, one that they can move into without further ado and so, in many cases, the seller comes out ahead after fixing.

The buyers we are talking about here are abundant. Cute and charming houses are bustling with lookers at Sunday open houses. Very often these days, three or six or even 15 of those lookers write offers in an attempt to buy these houses. Prices are driven up; sellers and agents are amazed and impressed.

"It's that cute factor," agents say. Houses that show well, particularly those professionally staged, capture people, cause them to imagine living real life in what is actually a stage set.

Plump couches, spanking clean and white; multilayered duvet, comforter, shams and sheets; a blowy bouquet (not nothing else) on a long, sleek granite counter. All of these are inviting, particularly because so much is missing. There is no TV in sight, no toaster or crumbs, no stacks of anything. There isn't much furniture either.

I get stuck in all the time. I look at these houses and embrace them. I want where I live to look like them, which it doesn't. If I had nothing but money, I'd buy one of the fantasy houses and move in. When it got tatty, I'd do it again.

But not all buyers are the same and that's the part I think I haven't said before. Clients of ours have told us that staged houses put them off. "Too yuppie," said one, and another told us, "I guess that's the kind of house everyone wants but it isn't for me."

I think these buyers don't trust these houses to be true; they see the fantasy and it makes them uncomfortable. Now isn't that interesting?

One young woman client has said about several houses we took her to, "I'd like to have had this one before they did anything." This happened enough that we finally caught on: We rejected houses we might have shown her because they looked too good and began to concentrate instead on needy houses which she finds more to her liking. I think what she finds satisfying is akin to pawing through clothes at a secondhand store or searching a back corner of an antique shop: she is hoping, perhaps expecting, to find a treasure missed by others and feel rich for it.

There are also people who go out of their way to find and buy major fixers. We've certainly pointed out to these people on occasion that it doesn't always make economic sense to buy them. By the time the roof and foundation are fixed, plus the electrical and the kitchen and so forth, the buyer might better have paid more for something in better shape to begin with. But logic doesn't necessarily mitigate passion.

I had a fascinating conversation with an agent friend whose client had just won a bidding war on a house I thought was dreadful. The foundation was gone, as was the (completely empty) kitchen, and everything was dirty and worn out. Worse, as far as I could see, this particular house had little going for it even when it was new and whole. And so, I asked why the client had bought it.

My friend said he had no idea. The buyer had never owned a house before. He'd met her some months prior when she was thinking of buying a condo — something with no maintenance that she could move right into. He showed her a few condos, then she drifted away. There was no contact for quite awhile until suddenly she'd called to say she had found her dream house. She'd seen this wreck of a house and wanted it.

The agent was astonished to learn of what her dreams were made. Because of competition for the house from a number of other dreamers, they offered to pay more than asking price, and she got it. I know nothing more about what happened after that.

Are you thinking you might save yourself a lot of trouble and sell your house just as it is? Does this idea hold great appeal? I have to tell you that while it might work, it might not. It is surprising how much more money you can probably get if, for example, your house is painted and clean.

Unless you happen to have a severely distressed property, one that cosmetics will not help much, you are probably going to sell for a higher price by appealing to the largest group of buyers out there: the seekers of clean and pretty.

But there are circumstances, and maybe these are yours, where selling as is — broken, ailing, full and all — will be to your advantage. Ask a good agent to look at your house. You will know who the good agent is, at least initially, because he or she will take the time to give consideration to your individual situation.

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The guesstimates may be wrong, however. Because the number of people who want to buy fixers and other "non-cute" houses is smaller, it can be tricky to predict the ultimate sale price and how long it will take to get it. "Cute" houses are easier. It's usually possible to arrive at a price that they will surely sell for. Then, if there are multiple offers, the price can be higher still.

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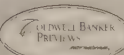
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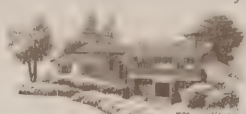
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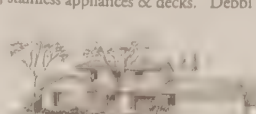
6838 Charing Cross Rd. New Listing \$825,000
Sun filled fabulous 3BR/3.5BA contemporary w/sparkling Bay views & many loft-like features. High ceilings, industrial windows, stainless appliances & decks. Debbi DiMaggio



45 Templar Place New Listing \$595,000
Charming 3+BR/2.5BA traditional in best upper Rockridge neighborhood. Updated kitchen & baths. Separate studio. Fabulous deck & garden. Privacy. Judy Rankankan



6133 Estates Drive New Listing \$1,195,000
Piedmont side of Montclair estate w/commanding city & Bay view set on over 1/2 acre. Lovely Monterey colonial style. 5BR/4BA, pool & studio. Elizabeth Dickson



191 St. James Drive, Piedmont \$799,000
Spacious 3-story traditional. 4+ BR/3.5BA, updated eat-in kitchen, large formal rooms, family room & study. Private rear decks with hot tub. Karen Starr

105 Sonia Street \$529,000
A charming 2BR/1.5BA Spanish Mediterranean w/updated kitchen, cozy office, spacious rec/media room, level landscaped yard & hardwood floors. Sherry Benninger



839 Rosemount Road \$679,000
The classic Italianate two-story traditional home in beautiful Crocker Highlands. Wonderful architectural details throughout. 3BR/1.5BA. James Garcia

39 Teralynn Court New Listing \$379,000
This contemporary townhouse features an open floor plan, hardwood floors, fabulous Bay views, two master suites, modern kitchen & decks off main rooms. Sherry Benninger



1530 Pearl Street, Alameda \$360,000
Charming 1918 bungalow in Alameda's Fernside neighborhood. Inviting living room w/fireplace, dining room w/built-ins, & eat-in kitchen. Bettina Balestrieri

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In a very unique and private setting in Piedmont you will find this 1+BR/1BA cottage situated on over an acre of gorgeous land with mature oaks. Angela Wei Grubb

Piedmont Classic New Listing \$769,000
This spacious Piedmont home offers traditional details including hardwood floors, built-ins, formal dining room & family room. 4BR/3BA. Lovely tree view. Elizabeth Dickson



58 Buckeye Avenue New Listing \$619,000
A home for today! Striking city & Bay views, open floor plan, dramatically remodeled, exciting new kitchen, 3+BR/2.5BA. Level in & out. Near Hillcrest School. Sandra Vogl

Wildwood Gardens Coming Soon
Rarely does a level home in Wildwood Gardens become available, especially one with such lovely filtered views and easy outdoor access. Katherine Cooper
Piedmont Contemporary New Listing \$685,000
With all the advantages of modern design including high ceiling & expansive windows, this 50's contemporary is located on a private cul-de-sac lot. Angela Wei Grubb

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LaSalle Estates New Listing \$3,400,000
Enjoy spectacular sunsets & commanding views of the Bay, bridges and San Francisco from this grand, stunning, architect designed masterpiece. John Karnay
Cosmopolitan European Style \$1,539,000
Modernist masterpiece w/stunning panoramic SF views. Approx. 5600 sq. ft. of open spaces, lofty terraces & balconies. 3BR suites, 3-car garage & large studio. Susanne Paul

Claremont Traditional New Listing \$1,375,000
Fabulous 5+BR/4.5BA Claremont traditional. Updated kitchen, formal dining room, sun room, great master suite. Private garden. Bay view. Separate au-pair. Karen Starr
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Southwestern contemporary w/panoramic Bay views. Built in 1999 with over 3000 sq. ft. 3BR/3.5BA. Fabulous artistic finish details throughout. John Karnay

Oakmore English Cottage \$542,000
An English cottage surrounded by enchanted garden on a quiet cul-de-sac. Updated but retains original charm and detail. 3BR/2+BA. Close to transportation. Mindy Scott
Charm & Comfort \$249,000
Enjoy the charm & comfort of this 2BR/1BA home w/ formal dining room, hardwood floors, fireplace, back garden, quiet neighborhood. Carin Caroe

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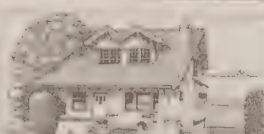
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OAKLAND HILLS \$550,000
5247 SADDLE BROOK DR. (Open 2-4:30)
Attractive and lovely all-level home beautifully situated on a corner lot featuring 4BD/2.5BA, family room with brick fireplace, custom fireplace in spacious living room, updated kitchen. Roselle Woods x324

Open Sunday



GRANDLAKE \$469,000
488 FAIRBANKS AVE. (Open 2-4:30)
Conveniently located, this fine 3+BD/2+BA home features living room with fireplace and original built-ins, formal dining room and updated kitchen. Carolyn Jones x339

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PIEDMONT \$4,950,000
Gracious English Manor house located on one of Piedmont's most prestigious streets. Majestic trees, approx. two-thirds acre of manicured gardens, cobblestone paths & pristine pool surround this historic family estate. Helen Danhaki x356 & Charlotte Boyle x370



MONTCLAIR \$725,000
415 MORAGA DR. (Open 2-4:30)
Spacious contemporary conveniently located close to village. Enjoy 3000+/- sq. ft. with expansive Bay views and level yard. 5BD/3BA. Living room with vaulted ceilings & fireplace. Family room with fireplace and built-ins. Jeffrey Himmel x307



MONTCLAIR \$710,000
415 MORAGA DR. (Open 2-4:30)
Spacious contemporary conveniently located close to village. Enjoy 3000+/- sq. ft. with expansive Bay views and level yard. 5BD/3BA. Living room with vaulted ceilings & fireplace. Family room with fireplace and built-ins. Jeffrey Himmel x307



MONTCLAIR \$325,000
7222 SAYER DR. (Open 2-4:30)
Architecturally unique and built on a large lot in 1988, this 1BD/1.5BA has light, views and privacy. Decks, patio with spa tub and level yard area. Hardwood floors, built-ins, central vacuum. 2-car detached garage. Donna Costella x355

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PIEDMONT \$545,000
415 MORAGA AVE. (Open 2-4:30)
Traditional style with natural woods in living room & dining room. 3+plus bedrooms, 2 full baths. Office or den space. Francis Heath x357



OAKLAND HILLS \$450,000
568 CRESTMONT DR. (Open 2-4:30)
This wonderful home boasts designer paint choices and crown moldings. 3+BD/3BA and family room which opens out to a large level and private garden. Anne Feste x371



OAKLAND HILLS \$529,000
580 ELYSIAN FIELDS (Open 1-4:00)
Beautifully situated overlooking a golf course in the Oakland Hills. 3BD/2.5BA. The family room has vaulted ceiling, excellent window placement, hardwood floors and a fireplace. Michelle Miller x335

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ROCKRIDGE \$499,000
Stylish contemporary. 2+BD/1.5BA. Extra large lot. Nancy Noman x373

MONTCLAIR \$459,000
Dramatic 2BD/2BA mid-century modern! Golden Gate view and expansive gardens. Jeffrey Himmel x307

OAKLAND \$435,000
Unique home with picturesque SF/Bay views and nestled in a country-like setting. Diane Earl McCan x352

OAKLAND \$150,000
STEINMETZ LOT Just Listed! Downslope SF view lot. Over 1/3 acre. Private with mature oaks. Patricia Scott x315

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PIEDMONT Price upon request
Enjoy panoramic Bay views from most rooms! 4+ bedrooms/4+ baths. Helen Danhaki x356 & Charlotte Boyle x370



UPPER ROCKRIDGE \$1,285,000
Best value! Best location! Newer four bedroom, three & a half baths. Beautiful hill views. Dee & Joe Knowland x318



UPPER ROCKRIDGE
Newly decorated ranch home. Three bedrooms, two & a half baths. Superb outdoor living. Roselle Woods x324



PIEDMONT AVENUE \$395,000
Classic 1920's bungalow. Three bedrooms, one bath. Very desirable location! Teri Carlisle x305

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WEEKLY SALES

ALAMEDA

13 Anderson Rd - \$850,000
219 Bannister Ct - \$877,500
2828 Encinal Av - \$300,000
1097 Jost Ln - \$335,000
2426 Lincoln Av #K - \$249,000
3535 Magnolia Dr - \$385,000

ALBANY

1034 Masonic Av - \$316,000
535 Pierce St #340 - \$336,000
718 Pomona Av - \$360,000

BERKELEY

515 Ashby Av #4 - \$250,000
1260 Ashby Av - \$125,000
2706 Ashby Pl - \$352,000
1339 Berkeley Wy - \$628,000
3206 Ellis St - \$310,000
2389 Hilgard Av - \$500,000
10 Hillcrest Rd - \$930,000
973 Indian Rock Av - \$969,000
3121 Mabel St - \$191,500
1627 Prince St - \$325,000
2535 Ridge Rd #D - \$185,000

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2558 Alva Av - \$385,000
932 Arlington Bl - \$340,000
5408 Poinsett Av - \$342,000
7404 Potrero Av - \$399,000

EL SOBRANTE

66 Deer Run Dr - \$355,000
5515 Hackney Ct - \$385,000
1850 Linden Ln - \$230,000
852 Marin Rd - \$210,500
2520 Rancho Rd - \$369,000
6219 San Pablo Dam Rd - \$250,000
1313 Wesley Wy - \$189,500

EMERYVILLE

1 Commodore Dr #B45 - \$292,500

EMERYVILLE

12 Eagle Hill - \$200,000

OAKLAND

1042 106th Av - \$172,000
2115 107th Av - \$156,000
2016 108th Av - \$197,000
1766 10th St - \$220,000
1505 19th Av - \$213,000
2222 22nd Av - \$194,000
1000 24th St - \$280,000
961 43rd St - \$311,000
561 57th St - \$428,000
3026 58th Av - \$369,000
395 60th St - \$500,000
2520 62nd Av - \$230,000
1849 64th Av - \$180,000
472 66th Av - \$146,000
2673 66th Av - \$197,000
082 66th St - \$83,500
063 70th Av - \$137,000
976 70th Av - \$166,500
171 72nd Av - \$180,000
1646 72nd Av - \$181,000
2939 73rd Av - \$189,000
1573 80th Av - \$125,000
255 83rd Av - \$228,000
2444 88th Av - \$350,000
950 92nd Av - \$270,000
431 94th Av - \$156,000
829 94th Av - \$160,000
213 97th Av - \$193,000
242 97th Av - \$167,500
398 Adams St #203 - \$172,500

1790 Arrowhead Dr - \$415,000
4106 Barner Av - \$425,000
10733 Breed Av - \$155,000
3875 Brighton Av - \$445,000
2836 Brookdale Av - \$145,000
5025 Brookdale Av - \$268,000
9927 C St - \$191,000
649 Carlston Av - \$1,175,000
3830 Clarke St - \$275,000
8134 Coach Dr - \$470,000
6124 Colby St - \$453,000
5227 Cole St - \$272,000
3419 Coolidge Av - \$175,000
455 Crescent St #203 - \$130,000
3269 Dakota St - \$240,000
528 Douglas Av - \$124,500
5912 Dover St - \$255,000
8129 Earl St - \$290,000
3026 East 16th St - \$185,000
6128 East 16th St - \$116,000
2118 East 19th St - \$200,000
1102 East 22nd St - \$215,000
2343 East 24th St - \$250,000
1634 East 31st St - \$356,000
9618 East St - \$101,000
9901 East St - \$220,000
2440 Fern St - \$500,000
5008 Foothill Bl - \$105,000
5460 Foothill Bl - \$130,000
101 Foster Av - \$185,000
2425 Frances St - \$300,000
2420 Grande Vista Av - \$284,000
2683 Grande Vista Av - \$280,000
5514 Harmon Av - \$164,000
2615 Harold St - \$199,000
3751 Harrison St #201 - \$170,000
3768 Harrison St #304 - \$205,000
3139 Harrison St - \$225,000
1407 Havenscourt Bl - \$140,000
7606 Hillside St - \$159,000
4101 Howe St #205 - \$306,000
10415 Longfellow Av - \$227,000
3129 Madera Av - \$430,000
801 Mandana Bl - \$530,000
695 Mariposa Av #101 - \$170,000
10629 Mark St - \$280,000
3115 Maxwell Av - \$305,000
3800 Maybelle Av - \$175,000
1439 Mitchell St - \$175,000
193 Montecito Av #101 - \$134,000
6026 Morse Dr - \$237,000
1935 Oakview Dr - \$575,000
9329 Olive St - \$140,000
7821 Outlook Av - \$175,000
4357 Park Bl - \$625,000
3441 Paxton Av - \$200,000
7900 Phaeton Dr - \$500,000
10135 Pippin St - \$180,000
3238 Prentiss St - \$165,000
4137 Randolph Av - \$582,000
3507 Rhoda Av - \$310,000
3062 Roxbury Av - \$459,000
2407 Seenic Av - \$341,000
210 Sextus Rd - \$136,000
4178 Shafter Av - \$240,000
75 Starview Dr - \$543,000
492 Staten Av #100 - \$563,000
4299 Terrabella Wy - \$727,500
500 Vernon St #206 - \$205,000
3634 Virden Av - \$310,000
4521 Virginia Av - \$266,000
7336 Weld St - \$157,000
7 W. Embarcadero #307 - \$272,000
6557 Whitney St - \$320,000

PIEDMONT

37 Caperton Av - \$1,875,000

RICHMOND

651 11th St - \$220,000
562 16th St - \$121,000
638 18th St - \$145,000
867 18th St - \$200,000
760 20th St - \$155,000
525 28th St - \$240,000

611 28th St - \$250,000
1852 2nd St - \$125,000
535 39th St - \$270,000
431 42nd St - \$150,000
1813 4th St - \$205,000
3056 Barkley Dr - \$275,000
2511 Baywood Wy - \$356,000
2927 Birmingham Dr - \$275,000
2534 Bush Av - \$227,000
5227 Coach Dr - \$450,000
2128 Cutting Bl - \$145,500
2310 Dolphin Dr - \$370,000
1259 Fairway Dr - \$200,000
4524 Fieldcrest Dr - \$319,000
317 Florida Av - \$116,000
805 Griffin Dr - \$150,000
5477 Hackney Ln - \$421,000
4013 Leke Wy - \$140,000
5450 Lenora Rd - \$365,000
1819 Lincoln Av - \$180,000
3259 Lowell Av - \$245,000
226 Maine Av - \$95,500
1574 Martin Dr - \$172,500
5665 McBryde Av - \$389,000
3791 North Stonegren - \$163,000
3219 Ohio Av - \$119,000
3721 Painted Pony Rd - \$395,000
1136 Parkridge Dr - \$240,000
4609 Robert Wy - \$275,000
143 South 39th St - \$245,000
226 South 7th St - \$145,000
1415 York St - \$123,000

SAN LEANDRO

1593 167th Av - \$230,000
15678 Atlantis Av - \$480,000
342 Bristol Bl - \$279,000
243 Cherrywood Av - \$350,000
14930 Crosby St - \$285,000
14173 Doolittle Dr - \$245,000
463 Estudillo Av - \$345,000
465 Estudillo Av - \$345,000
2217 Fairway Dr - \$345,000
14998 Firth Ct - \$420,000
2500 Galleon Pl #113 - \$275,000
1616 Graff Ct - \$560,000
16594 Hannah Dr - \$280,000
14735 Harold Av - \$222,000
1599 Hays St #204 - \$140,000
1579 Marybelle Av - \$265,000
881 Maud Av - \$365,000
14670 Midland Rd - \$300,000
3443 Monogram St - \$363,500
14970 Norton St - \$300,000
15187 Orion Rd - \$595,000
14016 Outrigger Dr #11 - \$295,000
344 Peralta Av - \$200,000
971 Purdue St - \$290,000
13553 School St - \$335,000
837 Superior Av - \$477,000
15951 Wellington Wy - \$295,000

SAN LORENZO

15589 Corte Enrico - \$373,000
15815 Paseo Del Campo - \$299,500
16084 Paseo Languista - \$229,000
17424 Via Annette - \$248,000
1416 Via Barrett - \$270,000
1485 Via Buena Vista - \$235,000
17108 Via Chiquita - \$275,000
1555 Via Escondido - \$310,000
17321 Via Julia - \$325,000
16187 Via Karl - \$299,000
15800 Via Rivera - \$335,000
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2.5 BA. 2 SOLD Downhouse-
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By the numbers

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LOWEST PRICE: \$249,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$877,500
MEDIAN PRICE: \$369,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$480,786

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TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: \$316,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$360,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$336,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$337,333

BERKELEY

TOTAL SALES: 11
LOWEST PRICE: \$125,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$969,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$325,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$433,227

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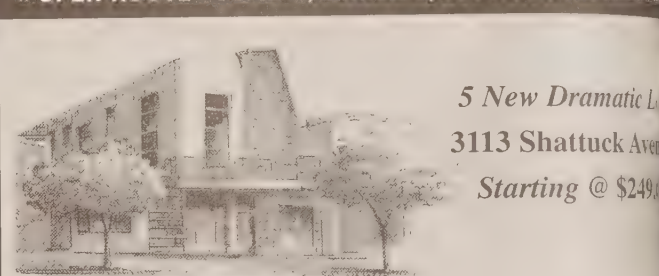


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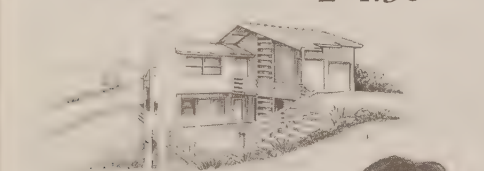
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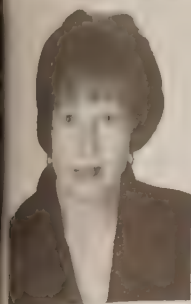
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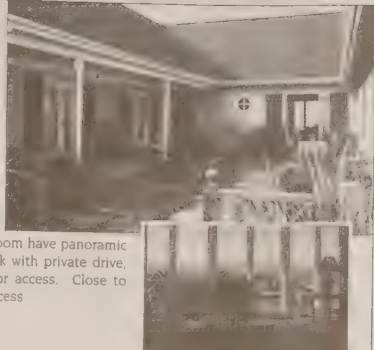
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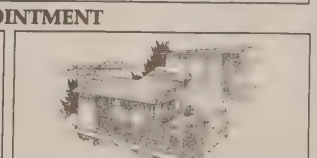


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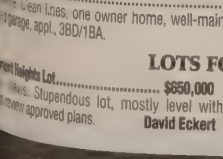


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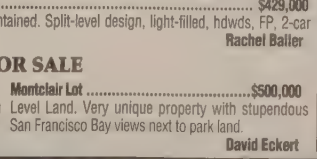


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Built near Redwood Heights, w/easy commute.
Great with handsome FP, Bay view, inviting
patio. 3BD/2BA w/fam room.
Ruby Ng



Montclair Lot\$500,000
COMING SOON! Contemporary with serene outlook.
Enjoy the Bay view with a glimpse of the GG from the
airy, vaulted ceiling LR. 3BD/2BA, updated kit, large
rumpus room, 2-car gar.
David Eckert

LOTS FOR SALE

Stunning lot, mostly level with

approved plans.

David Eckert

\$650,000

Level Land. Very unique property with stupendous

San Francisco Bay views next to park land.

David Eckert

\$429,000

Hdws, FP, 2-car

garage, appl., 3BD/1BA.

Rachel Bailor

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Piedmont Pines \$999,000

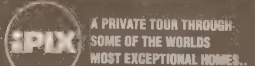
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plan. 4 BR, 3 BA, 2 fireplaces, 2 family rooms, and
formal dining. Master suite on second floor. Decks at
yard level and off of 2 story 3 car garage. Easy
commute to SF or Oakland



ENGLISH COUNTRY COTTAGE IN NORTH
BERKELEY\$699,000
Hugh Golden Gate views. Darling in every aspect, and
spacious too! 3+ bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, high brick
fireplace, master suite on lower level, formal dining,
wood floors, decks. This property is gorgeous and
unique!

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2 Beautifully rebuilt condos
Nacio Brown
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5500 Thomas\$549,000
Beautifully detailed 3BR 1.5BA
The Longs
767 41st\$249,000
Renovated 2BR, 1BA bungalow.
The Marienthals
13538 Campus\$879,000
4BR, 2.5BA. Views of hills, open space.
Rita Zwerdling

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THE LIFE OF LUXURY IN THE OAKLAND HILLS\$1,200,000
JUST LISTED! Soaring ceilings and a lush green
setting offer a refuge from the bustle of city life with
serene views of green hills and open space. 4BR,
2.5BA, family room, formal dining, three fireplaces
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Francisco commute.

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JUST LISTED! This one has 2 bedrooms, 1 bath on
the top floor, plus a separate, exterior access 1
bedroom, 1 bath. High ceilings, light-filled spaces.
Totally rebuilt & remodeled, new kitchens, foundation,
wiring and more! Super location, easy access to 4th
Street shops, restaurants and SF commute.

IMPECCABLE OAKLAND/ROCKRIDGE CRAFTSMAN
BUNGALOW\$549,000
JUST LISTED! Gorgeous interior detailing with
beautiful color palette, remodeled kitchen & baths. 3
bedrooms, 1.5 baths, partial views of the bay and
San Francisco. Super back yard with brick patio,
pond and garden. Near Rockridge shops &
restaurants.

TOTALLY RENOVATED NORTH OAKLAND
BUNGALOW\$249,000
JUST LISTED! Remodeled kitchen and bath, built-ins,
beautifully refinished hardwood floors. Lovely yard. 2
bedrooms, 1 bath. Near transportation and shopping.

FABULOUS WEST BERKELEY CONDO, LIKE
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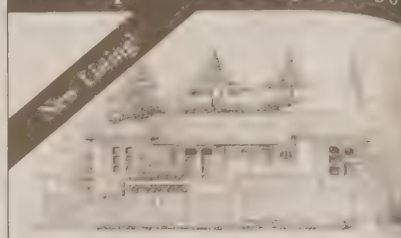
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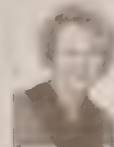
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& baths. Lovely front garden.

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- Hardwood floors, numerous built-ins, central vacuum
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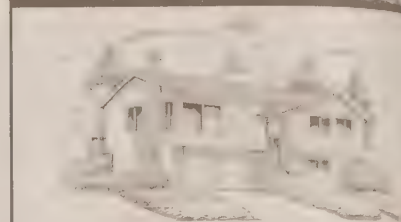


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its original beauty. Spacious entryway with grand
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ing room, completely remodeled kitchen, three plus
bedrooms and three baths.
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JUST LISTED - FIRST OPEN!.....\$429,000
Sunny three bedroom, two bath custom home on
quiet street with private yard.
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GLENVIEW CHARMER.....\$429,000
Great fixer in sought after Glenview. Four bedrooms,
three baths, ample storage, large basement. Attached
tandem garage plus separate carport. Sunny kitchen
with access to patio and yard. Great potential!
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CARPET OF CITY LIGHTS.....\$415,000

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room, two bath ranch. Abundance of glass showcases
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1680 Scenicview Drive, San Leandro

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BAY VIEW!.....\$329,000
Just down from the Mormon Temple, this sunny bungalow
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kitchen, hardwood floors, fireplace, French doors out to
lovely private yard, inside stairs to attached garage.
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INCREDIBLE VALUE.....\$285,000

Duplex on oversized lot across from Mills College.
Owner's unit has two master bedrooms and two
baths, private patio, living room with fireplace.
Second unit has one bedroom, one bath, formal din-
ing room, large kitchen and living room with fireplace.
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NEW ON MARKET!!!.....\$265,000

Wonderful starter home on cute street close to
Glenview. Split-level floor plan with hardwood floors,
fireplace and small private garden.
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1st OPEN - AFFORDABLE HOUSING!.....\$239,000

First rate two bedroom, one bath home located in
pride of ownership Durant Manor bordering San
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room and eat-in kitchen. Crisp and clean throughout.
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ROCKRIDGE CLASSIC TRADITIONAL.....\$590,000

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dining room with built-in china cabinet and leaded glass.
Three bedrooms, plus garden office studio with French
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GLENVIEW GEM!.....\$459,000

...With an incredible back yard. Three bedrooms,
spacious living & dining areas, plank hardwood
floors, rumpus room, and two fireplaces.

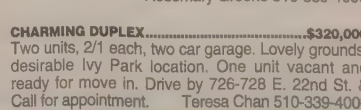
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CHARMING 1908 BERKELEY TRADITIONAL..\$399,000

...Has spacious room, formal dining, and loads of
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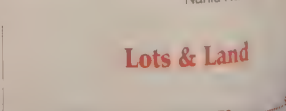
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TOTAL SALES: 4
LOWEST PRICE: \$340,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$399,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$366,500

TOTAL SALES: 7
LOWEST PRICE: \$189,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$385,000
MEDIAN PRICE: \$250,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$284,143

FAIRFAXVILLE
TOTAL SALES: 1
PRICE: \$292,500

KENSINGTON
TOTAL SALES: 1

PRICE: \$200,000

OAKLAND

TOTAL SALES: 104
LOWEST PRICE: \$ 83,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,175,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$270,240

PIEDMONT

TOTAL SALES: 1
PRICE: \$1,875,000

RICHMOND

TOTAL SALES: 38
LOWEST PRICE: \$ 95,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$450,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$228,355

SAN LEANDRO

TOTAL SALES: 27
LOWEST PRICE: \$140,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$595,000

MEDIAN PRICE: \$300,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$328,944

SAN LORENZO

TOTAL SALES: 12
LOWEST PRICE: \$229,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$373,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$290,708

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Tristie Glen \$895,000
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San One Level Home \$549,000
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 Eddie Robinson
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Crocker Bungalow \$545,000
 Lovely 3+BD/2BA bungalow. Newly listed. Deep yard, rose garden. Traditional details.
 Kathy Close 510-845-0200

Elegant Townhouse \$490,000
 Open Sunday 2-4, 153 Thousand Oaks. 3BD/2.5BA, formal dining room, family room, dbl. garage.
 Barbara Hopper 510-845-0211

Piedmont Ave. Areal \$395,000
 Open Sunday 1:30-4:30, 70 Rio Vista. 2+BD/1+BA craftsman in great area!
 Amy Hayashida 510-524-2526

Open Sunday 2-4:30 \$385,000
 North St. Rockridge 2BD/1BA. Human on deep lot. Built-ins, hardwood floors and fireplace.
 Gene Boomer 510-339-9290

OAKLAND/PIEDMONT

* Open Sunday 2-4:30 \$375,000
 3517 Victor. Newly remodeled 4BD/2BA contemporary, incl. au pair unit with sep. entrance.
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* Open Sunday 2-4:30 \$339,000
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High in the Hills \$699,000
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* 16 Slater Lane \$699,000
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Must See \$275,000
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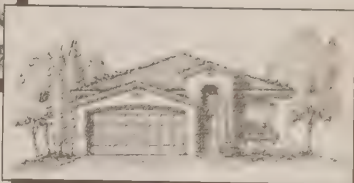
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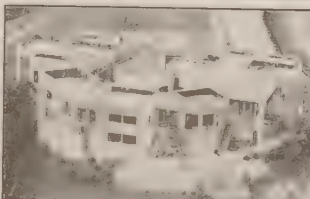
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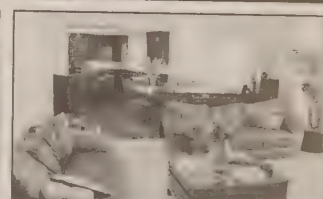
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OAKLAND \$265,000
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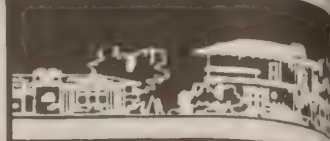
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281 Tipperary Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Eliane Miller 510-814-4821 Jean Powers 510-814-4822 Harbor Bay Realty	4BD/3BA	2-4	\$694,500
52 Sea Bridge Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Tom Young 510-814-4835 Tom Lee 510-814-4840 Harbor Bay Realty	3 - BD/2BA	1:30-4:30	\$639,000
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2807 Bayview Dr. Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Bill Bonetti, Gallagher & Lindsey 510-748-1108	3BA/2 - BA	2-4	\$499,500
601 Park St. John Parton 510-748-1115, Gallagher & Lindsey	3BA/2 - BA	2-4	\$495,000
10 Remmel Ct. Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Ringo Lee 510-814-4711 Harbor Bay Realty	3BD/2 - BA	2-4	\$489,000
1254 Broadway Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Kane & Associates	3BD	2-4	\$479,000
138 Santa Clara Ave. Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Dennis Kiefer 510-748-1132 & Stan Lockhart, 510-748-1805, Gallagher & Lindsey	2BA/2BA	2-4	\$459,500
1646 9th St. Steve Cessy 510-814-4835 Harbor Bay Realty	BD/1BA	2-4	\$449,500
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602 Terra Lane Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Dennis Kiefer 510-814-4821 Jean Powers 510-814-4822 Harbor Bay Realty	3BD/2 - BA	2-4	\$429,000
1032 Auburn Dr. Marlyn Other 510-865-8888, Kane & Associates	3BD	2-4	\$425,000
429 Sunset Rd. Nancy & Steve Brant 510-814-4823 Harbor Bay Realty	3BD/2BA	2-4	\$425,000
340 Magnolia Open Sat & Sun 1-4 Sun 1:30-4:30 Alan Gooch 510-814-4821, Kristyna Nowak 510-483-1676, Kane & Associates	3BD	2-4	\$398,000
27 Damon Ct. Betty Sewell 510-522-1175, Jennifer Spatz 510-521-4045, Kane & Associates	2BD	2-4	\$385,500
1700 Cornell Nancy Gordon 510-814-4815 Harbor Bay Realty	3 - BD/2BA	2-4	\$385,000
234 Santa Clara Mark Playsted 510-814-4874 Harbor Bay Realty	4BD/2BA	2-4	\$395,000
1530 Park St. Fennella Baskin, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	2BD/1BA	2-4:30	\$360,000
1320 9th St. Denise Brady 510-523-8896 Bayview Real Estate	2BD	2-4	\$358,000
2519 Lincoln George Williams 510-814-4830 Harbor Bay Realty	2 - BD/1BA	2-4	\$343,000
519 Central Av. Moon Tam, Gallagher & Lindsey 510-747-1620	2 - BA/1BA	2-4	\$348,000
965 Shorepoint Ct. John McElroy 510-523-5732, Kane & Associates	2BD	2-4	\$278,000
217 Center Ct. H.S. Townhome Bette Barr, Alameda Realty 510-303-2525	1BD	2-4:30	\$279,000
217 Center Ct. Open Sat Only Judy Jacobs 510-814-4711 Harbor Bay Realty	1BD/1BA	2-4	\$279,000
1539 9th St. Judy Jacobs 510-814-4711 Harbor Bay Realty	2BD/1BA	2-4	\$272,000
2031 Otis Dr. Marlyn Purney 510-814-4710 Harbor Bay Realty	2BD/1BA	2-4	\$225,000

ALBANY

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
512 Ramona Ave. Warren Lee 510-524-9888 114 Berkeley Hills	3BD/1BA	2-4	\$449,000
918 Taylor Open Sunday Prudential CA Rty., Rayne Palmer, 510-524-2526	2BD/1BA	2-5	\$285,000

BERKELEY

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
257 Hillcrest Miriam Wilson 510-524-0619 La Salle Properties	4BD/2.5BA	2-4:30	\$1,245,000
7235 Buckingham Berkeley Markene Laverette, 510-652-2133 ext.121, Templeton Laverette Co.	3BD/2 - BA	2-4	\$849,500
2501 Prince Duplex Annie Walrand, 510-652-2133 ext.146, Templeton Laverette Co.	BD/BA	2-4:30	\$799,000
2729 Derby St. Open Sunday Prudential CA Rty., Terrence Jun, 510-524-2526	4BD/2BA	1-4	\$795,000
16 Slater Lane Thousand Oaks Collette Ford, Prudential CA Realty 510-886-9545	4 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$699,000
2971 Shasta Rd. Chris Neideman, 510-527-0174, Prudential CA Rty.	4 - BD 1:30-4:30	\$699,000	
12 Tunnel Mary Canavan, Thornhill Properties, 510-648-1950 x212	3BD/2.5BA	2-4:30	\$688,000
775 Vincente Thousand Oaks Leslie Aard, 510-652-2133 ext.122, Templeton Laverette Co.	4BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$649,000
335 Panoramic Way Prudential CA Rty., Candace Economides, 510-845-0200	3 BD/1 - BA	1-4	\$625,000
1051 Keith Open Sunday Prudential CA Rty., Ana Forest, 510-445-0200	4 BD/1.5BA	2-4	\$595,000
1618 Capistrano Thousand Oaks. Open Sunday Nancy Mueller 510-524-9888 x20 Berkeley Hills RE	2bd/2ba	2-4	\$572,000
1700 7th St. Prudential CA Rty., Terrence Jun, 510-524-2526	4BD/2 - BA	2-4	\$445,000
1421 Lincoln Open Sun. Maya Trilling 510-524-9888 x18 Berkeley Hills RE	2 bd/1.5ba	2-4	\$395,000
1029 Page St. Lanie Loke Security Pac. 510-662-8487	2 + 1 bd	1-6pm Sun	\$325,000
3113 Shattuck Shattuck Lofts \$248,000 & \$334,000 Lawton Associates, Ron Kries 510-547-5970	2 - BD/1BA	1-6	\$324,000
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1614 63rd St. #C Open Sunday RED OAK, 510-280-2165, Julie	1BD/1BA	2-4	\$159,000
1226 Cedar St. Open Sunday Ann Arriola Plant, 510-527-2700 x27, Marvin Gardens RE	2BD/1BA	2-4:30	\$-

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Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
7312 Pebble Beach Court Carla Della Zappa.com 510-662-8558 Security Pacific R.E.	4BD/3BA	2-4	\$649,000
3239 Santa Clara Open Sunday RED OAK, 510-333-1817, Wayne	2bd/1bd Plus Duplex	2-4	\$429,000
526 Everett St. El Cerrito Tara Banks, Prudential CA Realty 510-834-2010	2BD/1BA	2-4	\$310,000
1740 Liberty St. Annie Ac, Intreco 510-215-7636	2BD/2BA	2-4	\$255,000

EL SOBRANTE

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
110 Renfrew Ct. El Sobrante Penny Schultz, Prudential CA Realty 510-834-2010	3BD/2BA	1-4:30	\$435,000



EL SOBRANTE

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
3517 Victor Richmond Heights Dana Eng, Prudential 510-339-9290	4BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$375,000
2 Quail Hill Ct. El Sobrante Emily Luss, Prudential 510-339-9290	3BD/1 - BA	2-4:30	\$249,500

HAYWARD

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
24427 Marie Dr. Hayward Wild Landis, Prudential 510-339-9290	3BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$305,000

KENSINGTON

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
543 Coventry El Sobrante Kathy Bart 510-659-2935, Marvin Gardens RE	3 BD/2.5 BA	2-4	\$849,500

OAKLAND

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
111 Beechwood Dr. Open Sunday Claremont Pines John Karmay, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	5BD/3 - BA	2-4:30	\$2,348,000
6070 Contra Costa Rd. Upper Rockledge John Karmay, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	4BD/3BA	2-4:30	\$1,599,000
900 Alvarado Rd. Lille Brady 510-945-0200, Prudential CA Rty	4 - BD	1-4	\$1,595,000
904 Alvarado Rd. Lille Brady 510-945-0200, Prudential CA Rty	4 - BD	1-4	\$1,495,000
1033 Amilo Ave. Claremont Pines Deo Kienwien, 510-339-6460 ext. 318, Pacific Union	4BD/4BA	2-4:30	\$1,349,900
5352 Hilltop Crescent Rockledge David Oram, Prudential 510-339-9290	4BD/3BA	2-4:30	\$1,295,000
1842 Grandview Prudential CA Rty., Nancy Pfafford, 510-945-0200	3 BD/1 - BA 1:30-4:30	\$1,295,000	
6150 Mazzella Dr. Oakland Sandy C., Prudential 510-339-9290	4BD/3 + BA	2-4:30	\$1,200,000
6133 Estates Dr. Piedmont side of Montclair Elizabeth Dickson, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	5BD/4BA	2-4:30	\$1,195,000
1053 Sunnyhills Rd. Martha Shin, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-8400	3 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$950,000

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Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
193 Florence H. Chew, Prudential 510-287-9003	3 - BD/2BA	2-5	\$923,000
6935 Elverton Dr. Oakland Hills Howard Conner, Prudential 510-339-9290	4BD/3BA	2-4:30	\$925,000
55 Bay Forest Dr. Oakland - Berkeley Hills Wendy Callaghan, Wells & Bennett Realtors 510-631-7005	3 - BD/4BA	2-4:30	\$899,000
28 Rydal Court Montclair Kurt Buchholz, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	4BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$829,000
6638 Charming Cross Rd. Oakland Hills Suebell DiMaggio, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-4000	3BD/3 - BA	2-4:30	\$825,000
5843 Buena Vista Upper Rockledge Bob Brunner, 510-482-0203, Prudential Landmark Real Estate	4BD/2 - BA 2-4:30pm	\$775,000	
28 Windward Hill Hillier Highlands Gayle Tanbur 510-339-8900 La Salle Properties	3BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$735,000
8201 Skyline Cir. Protea Prop., Don Whitehead, 510-465-8888	4BD/3 - BA	1-4:30pm or Keller Sun. 1-4	\$1,472,000
1823 Drake Dr. Johannes Wimmel 510-339-6460 ext. 307, Pacific Union	5BD/3BA	2-4:30	\$725,000
6801 Skyline Blvd. Martha Shin, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-8400	5 - BD/4BA	2-4:30	\$710,000
8205 Skyline Cir. Protea Prop., Don Whitehead, 510-465-8888	3BD/2 - BA	1-4:30pm or Keller Sun. 1-4	\$679,000
4837 Park Blvd. Glenview Howard E. Kane, Asst. 2 Sell 510-330-6330	7BD/3BA	2-4:30	\$698,950
6700 Liggett Dr. Rosa Grant 510-814-4713 Harbor Bay Realty	3 - BD/2BA	2-4	\$695,000
839 Rosamond Rd. Crocker Highlands James Garcia, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	3 - BD/1BA	2-4:30	\$679,000
6226 Chabot Rd. Rockledge Open Sun Peter Damm 510-524-9888 x13 Berkeley Hills RE	3 + bd/2 ba	2-4	\$675,000

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Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
2836 DERBY Elmwood Blume/Sabine, Prudential 510-323-5055	3 - BD/BA	1:30-4:30	\$639,000
5019 Crystal Ridge Ct. Ridgmont Robin Mohr 510-339-6460 ext. 210, Pacific Union	3BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$639,000
58 Buckeye Av. Upper Rockledge Sandra Vogel, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	3 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$619,000
6705 Oakwood Dr. Marshall Peter Nicolopoulos, Wells & Bennett Realtors 510-339-4790	4BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$610,000
46 Temple Pl. Upper Rockledge Judy Rankenstein, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	3BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$606,000
5247 Saddlebrook Dr. Oakland Hills Rosalee Woods 510-339-6460 ext. 324, Pacific Union	4BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$600,000
565 Santa Rita St. Open Sunday Kathy Close, 510-845-0200, Prudential CA Rty.	3 - BD	2-4:30	\$545,000
590 Kanyway Rd. Chris Neideman, 510-527-0174, Prudential CA Rty.	3BD 1:30-4:30	\$539,000	
805 Miranda Blvd. Open Sun 3-4 Realty World-Columbus Realty, Betty 510-667-0257	2BD/1+BA	1-5	\$535,000
1773 Indian Way Open Sunday RED OAK, 510-333-1817, Wayne	3BD/2BA	2-4	\$535,000
5945 Chabot Crest Open Sunday RED OAK, 510-333-1817, Wayne	6BD/2BA	1-5	\$535,000
105 Santa St. Open Sunday Sherry Brannigan, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	2BD/1 - BA	2-4:30	\$529,000
580 Elysian Fields Michelle Miller 510-339-6460 ext. 335, Pacific Union	3BD/2BA	1-4	\$529,000
4216 Wilshire Blvd. Open Sunday Blaine Miller 510-527-2700, Marvin Gardens RE	3BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$510,000
1826 Drake Dr. Kurt Buchholz, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	3BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$499,000
1519 Thousand Oaks Sequoyia Heights Barbara Hopper, Prudential CA Realty 510-834-2010	3BD/2 - BA	2-5	\$490,000
1539 Prince Open Sunday RED OAK, 510-333-1817, Wayne	BD/BA	2-4:30	\$475,000
488 Fairbanks Ave. Grandlake Carolyn Jones 510-339-6460 ext. 338, Pacific Union	3 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$469,000
568 Crestmont Dr. Oakland Hills Anne Feste 510-339-6460 ext. 371, Pacific Union	3 - BD/3BA	2-4:30	\$450,000
3835 Forest Hills Arnold Mueller, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-4000	3BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$429,000
3859 Brighton Ave. Glenview Martha Shin, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-8400	4BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$429,000
5516 Vicente Wy. Rockledge Michael Valera, Value Realty Co. 510-451-7377	2BD/1BA	2-5	\$399,000
70 Rio Vista Prudential CA Rty., Amy Hayschick, 510-324-2325	2 - BD/1BA 1:30-4:30	\$395,000	
408 North St. Rockledge Gene Boomer, Prudential 510-339-9290	2BD/1BA	2-4:30	\$385,000
38 Tarrytown Ct. Oakland Hills Sherry Brannigan, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-4000	2BD/2 - BA	2-4:30	\$379,000
280 Caldecott #103 Thrive Smith, 510-652-2133 ext.140, Templeton Laverette Co.	2380/2BA	2-4	\$375,000
1912 Tiffin Road Sally Radloff 510-523-2314, Jerry Nussbaum 510-522-0968, Kane & Associates	2BD	2-4	\$365,000

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Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
280 Caldecott Ln #24 Oakland Thrive Smith, 510-652-2133 ext.140, Templeton Laverette Co.	2380/2BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
280 Caldecott Ln #217 Oakland Thrive Smith, 510-652-2133 ext.140, Templeton Laverette Co.	2380/2BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
2455 Alida Upper Grand Montclair Better Homes, John Sauer 510-339-4000	4BD/BA	4:00-8:00	\$349,000
7222 Sayer Dr. Marshall Dawn Costello 510-339-6460 ext. 380, Pacific Union	180/1 - BA	1-4:30	\$349,000
645 Chabot Blvd. #101 Rene Gardner Thrive Smith, 510-339-6460 ext. 324, Pacific Union	2BD/1BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
5219-5221 MacArthur Duplex 22 1/1 Realty World-Columbus Realty, Betty 510-667-0257	4BD/BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
3165 Madera Ave. Jesse Kaplan, 510-445-0200, Prudential CA Rty.	3BD	2-4:30	\$349,000
3207 Randolph Ave. Martha Shin, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-8400	4BD/BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
1820 - 100th Ave. Montclair Better Homes, Lorie Reed 510-339-4000	2380/1BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
1116 Seminary Ave. Oakland Ziggy Baranowski/Prudential 510-339-4000	2380/2BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
3212 Adeline West Oakland Frank Huxford, Wells & Bennett Realtors 510-631-7005	2380/1BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
1344 90th Ave. Open Sunday RED OAK, 510-330-2141, Local	2380/1BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
325 Lomas #207 Hillcrest Patty Baker, Wells & Bennett Realtors 510-631-7005	180/1BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
Shelmetz Lot Downsizing, SF view Over 1/2 acre, 510-339-6460, Pacific Union	4 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
1029 Pine St. Open Sat & Sun Kathy Hirsch 510-814-4713 Harbor Bay Realty	2380/1BA	2-4:30	\$349,000
2720 Madeline St. Prudential CA Rty., Devery Carr 510-484-0200	2BD	2-4:30	\$349,000

PIEDMONT

Address & Realty	Size	Hours	Price
431 Pacific Ave. Piedmont Martha Shin, Montclair Better Homes, 510-339-8400	4 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$449,000
191 St. James Dr. Piedmont Karen Star, The GRUBB Co. 510-339-0400	4 - BD/2BA	2-4:30	\$449,000

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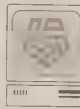
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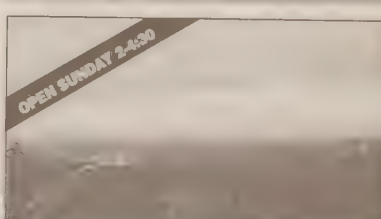
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- 10 **The Hills at Deer Valley**
From high \$200,000's. New Phase Release. 2042-2941 sq. ft. Flex. floor plans. View lots available. Up to 6BR/4BA. Hwy. 4, Hillcrest to Deer Valley Rd., 4057 Galeney Way. Woodside Homes. 925-754-1861. Open daily.

HUNTINGTON PARK

- 11 **Huntington Park**
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LONG TREE ESTATES-GALLERY COLLECTION

- 12 **Lone Tree Estates-Gallery Collection**
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- 13 **Lyon Ridge**
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- 14 **Meadow Creek Springs**
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- 14 **Provance at Laurel Ridge**
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TERRAZZA AT LAUREL RIDGE

- 15 **Terrazza at Laurel Ridge**
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- 19 **California Orchard**
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- 21 **Heritage Grove**
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- 22 **Meridian Pointe**
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- 26 **Crystal Ranch**
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- 27 **Kastrel Place**
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- 28 **Diablo Ranch Estates**
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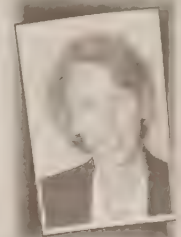
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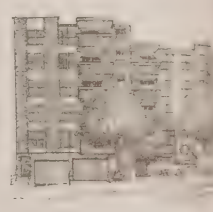
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SF City — It ain't fair

Golfers, start your putters. The City is on.

The most popular amateur golf tournament west of the Rockies begins this Saturday with qualifying for the women's championship. With 13-year-old Martha Burkard of Alameda defending.

The good news is there will be a lot of action. The bad news is that only the championship flights will be played, all at tiny Lincoln Park Golf Course. Nearly a thousand golfers will not be allowed to watch.

There is turmoil in the City. The PGA Tour. Shortly after the 1998 U.S. Open at the Olympic Club, the tour announced to everyone's surprise that the new home of the Tour Championship would be Harding Park GC, across Lake Merced. City officials jumped to make this work, and Arnold Palmer Golf Co. was hired to renovate the dilapidated Harding course to tour standards.

Harding, the annual venue for the City Championship, was scheduled to close on Feb. 1 for construction. A mad scramble by City tournament activists saved the former 85th City Championship in December, but not the entire tournament.

The City tournament is famous for its handicap flights, all of which are match play, mano-a-mano. The players who play in these flights did not understand why the city could not accommodate them at the Presidio or Sharp Park, two city-owned courses. The answer was less than satisfactory — tournaments were already booked.

There was confusion, then, when two vicious curve balls. First, the tour withdrew from the Harding construction project in mid-January, citing an inability to generate sufficient revenue due to low residential green fees. Then Palmer Management, which ran the city courses, gave 30-day notice.

It was obvious that Harding would not close on Feb. 1. But the City Championship still would not include the handicap flights, and it would stay at Lincoln Park only, all which made over a thousand fans hopping mad.

From what I heard it was not a good thing that Harding would be closed or open," explained tournament director Lance Wong. "You can't organize a tournament on a closed course."

Wong, recognizing that the tournament was almost abandoned, is pleased that at least the championship flights will be staged. He is hopeful.

The women's championship qualifying drew only 24 entries. There will be 15 spots up for grabs in the match play field. Qualifying will be 18 holes, not 36.

Alameda has a hold on the women's championship. Burkard is the defending champion, and Ki-Lao was medalist. Both are members of the Alameda Junior Club, and both were age 12 when they made these achievements.

Another curve ball prevented Burkard from playing this week. "The past it has been tradition for the defending champion to enter the qualifying, to take a shot at winning the medalist trophy. This year a new rule stated that tradition silly. Should the defending champ try for an exemption into match play, something about 'fairness.'"

Wong wisely chose to keep Burkard out of the match play, which was on March 31 for the championship.

Li-Lao entered in the qualifying, and with fellow Alameda Junior Club member Mika Wong, former champion Sally Burkard and last year's finalist Burkard.



ST. MARY'S' DASHAWN FREEMAN attempted to swipe the ball from Salesian's Brandon Jones during the BSAL championship game on Feb. 24. The Panthers edged the Chiefs 62-59 to claim the title.

Panthers edge into BSAL title

St. Mary's sees 18-lead disappear; wins with late rally

By Phil Jensen
STAFF WRITER

BERKELEY — The St. Mary's High School boys basketball team faced a late-game challenge Saturday for the first time in over a month.

Salesian fought back from an 18-point second-quarter deficit to take a 57-56 lead with 2:09 to play. But the Panthers (24-4) rose to the occasion with a 6-2 run to end the game, giving them a 62-59 victory in the Bay Shore Athletic League tournament championship game.

St. Mary's win avenged a 48-44 overtime loss to Salesian in the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League Powerhouse Division championship game last season.

"This meant a lot," said St. Mary's coach Jose Caraballo, whose team earned an automatic bid in the North Coast Section

playoffs. "It was important for the kids to realize we could get beat. We didn't let it happen in the end like last year. They showed a lot of heart and character."

An inside basket by Salesian's James Johnson gave Salesian (23-5) a 57-56 advantage, but St. Mary's point guard DaShawn Freeman found a seam in Salesian's defense and hit a jump shot from the free-throw line to put the Panthers ahead 58-57 with 1:58 left.

After a steal by St. Mary's Jeremiah Fielder, Chase Moore hit a 10-foot jump shot from the left baseline. Salesian's John Winston immediately answered by driving for a basket, but Moore scored on St. Mary's next possession for a 62-59 advantage with 1:08 remaining.

Salesian had the last possession. A 3-point attempt by Winston bounced off the rim with approxi-

'Prep boys' basketball
BSAL championship
St. Mary's 62
Salesian 59

mately three seconds remaining and a shot by teammate Brandon Jones did not beat the buzzer, as St. Mary's fans in the standing-room-only crowd poured out onto the floor.

Moore scored 10 of St. Mary's final 14 points and finished with a team-high 18 points.

"Chase is tough. He comes to play," Caraballo said.

Freeman added 12 points, 10 assists and three steals, and John Sharper added 10 points and five assists.

Johnson poured in a game-high 19 points for Salesian, and David Jobe added 13 points. Winston was another double-figure scorer for Salesian with 11 points and added five assists.

"We played with heart," said Salesian coach Bill Mellis, whose team was missing starter Marcus Richardson due to a shoulder injury. "We made good decisions for two-and-a-half quarters. We made a run because we controlled the tempo and did a good job on the boards."

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Berkeley boys find a 'Jule'

St. Jules sparks 24-0 run; El Cerrito KO'd

By Dean Rosener
CORRESPONDENT

The forgotten man will be remembered now.

Berkeley's unsung jack-of-all trades, Byron St. Jules, fired up 23 points as the hosting Yellowjackets stung San Leandro, 68-55, Wednesday in the quarterfinals of the North Coast Section Division I playoffs at Donohue Gym.

A huge semifinal challenge now looms. Fourth-seeded Berkeley (22-5) will play top-seeded — and defending state champ — DeLaSalle (23-4) tonight at St. Mary's College at 7:30 p.m. The Spartans knocked off St. Joseph Notre Dame 58-48 in another first-game Wednesday.

If St. Jules can duplicate his Wednesday performance, the Yellowjackets have a chance. Ball-hawking, rebounding, sharpshooting, the 5-foot-10 senior sparked an amazing 24-0 run in the first half.

"It was the seniors' last home game," St. Jules said. "We wanted to go out in style."

Compared to his fellow senior starters, St. Jules lacks a signature specialty like Ryan Davis' playmaking, Louis Riordan's 3-pointers and Ramone Reed's rebounds.

But he does a little bit of everything and it was so evident in the fabulous 24-0 spurt. Trailing 7-2 with 6:20 left in the first quarter, Berke-

ley shut out the Pirates for the next eight minutes, 34 seconds. St. Jules was everywhere.

"We felt if we attacked them (the Pirates) defensively, they could crumble," St. Jules said. "Coach (Mike) Gragnani felt they were too dependent on one point guard, so we swarmed him — and it worked. We were a little quicker, a little deeper."

St. Jules scored 11 of his 24 points during the run. To make it 17-7 with one minute remaining in the first period, he skied for a rebound, dribbled the length of the court, and laid it in. During the big spurt, the senior also tallied on a steal, a fast break and two 15-foot jumpers.

Gragnani believes St. Jules actually does have a specialty. It just goes unnoticed.

"You can sum up Byron in three words: pure defensive aggression," he said. "He excels in big games."

Concerning the biggest game, DeLaSalle tonight, Gragnani said, "We can play with them. We need to press and penetrate, run and rebound. If we can do those four things, the baskets will come."

Against fifth-seeded San Leandro (18-10), the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League champion Yellowjackets accomplished that quartet or requirements. Berkeley led 19-7 after one period, 37-19 after two frames and 58-35 after three

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Gauchos out, 'Jackets advance

By Wes Nakama
STAFF WRITER

ORINDA — The Miramonte High School girls basketball team motored past El Cerrito 76-39 in a North Coast Section Division III first-round game on Tuesday night.

But the seventh-seeded Matadors (20-7) will have little time to refuel in their tanks.

Miramonte was scheduled to hit the road at 7 a.m. this morning for a six-hour bus ride up to Humboldt County for a second-round game at No. 2 seed Arcata (25-2). Tipoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

"Our new motto is 'survive and advance,'" Matadors co-coach Andy Spinola said. "Even after an emo-

tional game like (Tuesday's), we'll have to regroup quickly."

After a sluggish start, Miramonte did an excellent job of regrouping in the second quarter against El Cerrito (17-10). A layup at the first-quarter buzzer helped the Gauchos close to within 16-14, and El Cerrito trailed only 18-16 early in the second period.

But that's when the Matadors turned up the jets, unleashing a full-

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STRETCHING, Encinal second baseman Ricky Ellis tagged out Albany's Chris Colvin in the second inning. Playing a non-league game at College of Alameda on Feb. 26, the Jets defeated the Cougars 6-3.

Cougars look polished in opener

Yiadom reaches 3 times, Pinguelo goes five strong innings

By Bill Kruissink
SPORTS EDITOR

As is usual with prep baseball, the Albany Cougars and Encinal Jets began their seasons in soggy, postponement-laden conditions.

What is less than usual is that when they finally got around to playing, they were able to put on a polished, stylish performance.

Playing at the College of Alameda on Monday, the Encinal Jets held off the Cougars to win 6-3. Under mostly clear skies, the Jets (1-0) led from the bottom of the first inning on. But the Cougars (0-1) managed to contain a couple of Jet rallies before staging one of their own in the top of the sixth.

The Cougars came up short, but what was nice for both squads was that errors were rare, both teams got solid starts from their pitchers, there were few mistakes on the bases and the hitting was timely.

In other words, the teams appeared in midseason form.

"We've only been indoors talking three or four times," Cougars coach Josh Freeman said of his team's rainy pre-season. "We can warm up and throw — our arms are in shape, our lungs are in shape — but as far as infield and outfield, we've practiced five or six times. But we have not taken live hitting yet. Consider-

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court press on the Gauchos and converting a string of turnovers into transition baskets.

Led by 6-foot-2 junior center Tori Markey, Miramonte ended the half with a 22-6 run.

Markey, who finished with a game-high 20 points, seven rebounds and five steals, had 13 points in the first half.

The second half was much the same, as the Matadors expanded the lead to 53-32 after three quarters.

"It was lack of concentration on our part," El Cerrito coach Ron Williams said. "Miramonte did a good job of mixing defenses on us and applying pressure. And Markey — she's just an outstanding athlete."

Said Spinoia: "Their big girls didn't run the floor as well as our big girls did. We were able to go inside at will."

The Gauchos were not helped by

the absence of two key players — Destini Nowlin and Tyeisha Brown. Each player missed the game due to personal reasons.

"That hurt us majorly," Williams said. "Our younger girls played well for a while, but Miramonte is an experienced team; they've been here before. They know that you've got to play focused all the time."

LaTasha Hagler led El Cerrito with 10 points.

Division I Berkeley 88, Mission San Jose 36

BERKELEY — The Berkeley High School girls basketball team grabbed 23 steals en route to an 88-36 thrashing of Mission San Jose on Tuesday in the first round of the North Coast Section Division I playoffs.

The area's second leading scorer, Robin Roberson, had a game-high 21 points and nine rebounds.

Berkeley (22-5) got an early lead in the first quarter by stealing the ball on four consecutive in-bounds

plays by the Warriors (16-12). All four steals were immediately converted into layups. The Yellowjackets continued to find the open shots and built a 20-8 lead with 2:30 left in the first quarter.

By halftime, Berkeley had a 53-17 lead. Mission turned the ball over 13 times in addition to being picked off. They also shot poorly, including a 2-for-17 performance in the second quarter. For the game, the Warriors shot 27 percent from the field (15-54). Berkeley shot better than 50 percent for the game on a 36-of-70 performance from the field.

Sabina Keys grabbed eight rebounds and had 10 points for Berkeley. The leading rebounder for Mission San Jose was Sabina Mejia, with six. Mejia and teammate Kim Gallagher led the team with 10 points each.

Berkeley will next play Pittsburg at home on Friday. The time is to be determined.

Staff writers Gabrielle Stevenson, Joe Stiglich and Chace Bryson contributed to this story.



Night time is right time

SHORT STUFF — Ten-year-old Jordan Ferguson of the Scholars and Bailers confronted a tall one during the all-star weekend held on Feb. 16-17 under the auspices of the Young Adult Project 1. Berkeley League games are played Friday and Saturday nights in an effort to offer an alternative hanging out. Participants are required to attend hour-long workshop/rap sessions before each game talk about issues in education, health, self-esteem and employment. Then it's time to Play Ball!

Boys

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Tyree Gardner paced the Pirates with 23 points, including five 3-pointers.

The three other senior starters for Berkeley also scored in double digits: Reed had 12 points, Riordan 11, including two 3s, and Davis with 10.

Diamonds

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ing that, I think we did really well."

Albany filled the bases in the first inning, but came up empty when Encinal left-hander Cory Dunlap fanned Albany's No. 4 and 6 batters to retire the side.

In the bottom of the first, Nick Loy stroked the first pitch he saw into deep center field for a triple. One pitch later, Randy Garchar singled Loy home and the Jets were in business, 1-0.

Except the business did not take off. Ranging into foul territory behind first base, Albany second baseman Bryan Gross reeled in a pop fly, then Marcus Buckingham, who singled, was forced at second base. On the play, Buckingham was called for interference, eliminating Jason Rivera, who had reached base on a fielder's choice, in the deal.

End of rally. But Encinal, which blasted more than 40 home runs last spring, pushed a couple more runs across in the second. It began with Dunlap reaching on a walk. A stout ballplayer, Dunlap managed to travel around the bases, landing on third with a passed ball then scoring on a wild pitch. Appreciating his hustle, his teammates mobbed him outside the dugout.

"I was just being aggressive," Dunlap explained. "They think I'm big and slow. But I was being aggressive, trying to advance into scoring position by taking third. Then I just had to take home."

And Encinal then made it 3-0 when Loy singled home Lionel Johnson, who had walked and stolen second.

At this point, many fans thought Encinal was on its way to a blow out. "It could have been 16-0," Free-

St. Jules does not want their careers to end tonight.

"I love this team," he said.

Post game:

Going into the San Leandro game, Davis led in scoring average (15.7 ppg), followed by Riordan (12.9), St. Jules (10) and Reed (9), who also paces the club in rebounding, averaging 11 per game.

No. 6 Analy 53, El Cerrito 49

SEBASTOPOL — El Cerrito relinquished its lead by allowing a run in the third quarter and never recovered in a 53-49 loss to No. 6 Analy.

The Gauchos (10-17) were outscored 18-7 after leading 27-23 at the half.

El Cerrito was led by Franco Harris' 12 points. Kenneth James added 11.

man said.

Scraping for runs, Albany got one back in the third when Yaw Yiadom, who was in the lineup following the wrestling season, walked, stole second and scored on an error to close to 3-1.

Meanwhile, Dunlap and Albany's Jeremiah Pingueto had settled down on the hill. After allowing three runs on four hits and two walks through two innings, Pingueto retired the next seven Jets he saw.

"Jeremiah just needs to warm up a little bit more," Freeman said. "Once he settles down, he throws pretty good."

Dunlap got some timely — crucial, in fact — support from his lineup in the bottom of the fifth. With two out and clean-up hitter Buckingham up, Saunders sent baserunners Loy and slugger Jimmy Olson on their way to a double steal. The pair pulled it off.

"I was figuring I had a better chance to score with a runner on second base," Saunders said.

With a 2-1 count, Buckingham stroked a two-run double down the left-field line to put the Jets up 5-1.

Encinal needed both runs because by the sixth, Albany was ready to swing its bats. With Dunlap appearing to tire somewhat (he entered the inning having served up 83 pitches), Yiadom drove a 3-1 pitch into left-center for a single. Dunlap fanned the next batter, but Matt Ball got to him by singling hard to right and that scored Yiadom.

Saunders lifted Dunlap in favor of right-hander Eugene Smith. Smith gave up a lead-off single, fanned Albany's No. 9 batter, then gave up singles to Gross, who knocked in Ball, and David Collister.

Collister's hit was the last Albany got. Encinal added an insurance run in the sixth when Loy singled home Johnson for 6-3.

Hitting with runners in scoring position, pushing it on the bases, wide-ranging catches, steady work on the mound — why, it hardly looked like opening day at the park.

Post game:

AT YOUR SERVICE ... The Jets had an opener against Las Lomas postponed once, then again; Albany lost its opener against Novato when neither team could find a serviceable field.

To get a game in — and it turned out to be a beautiful day at the park — a little cooperation was required.

Freeman explained: "Jim called me Sunday and said, 'I've got the college (COA), but I've got no team to play.' Our field and Novato's field were (out), so we had to cancel. We ended up getting this game."

Both team went on to play additional games during the week.

STATS ... Albany out-hit Encinal 9-6.

Yiadom reached base all four times he came to the plate — once by a single, twice on walks and once with an infield error. He scored twice and stole two bases ... Collister had two singles and Matt Ball went 2-for-3 with a run scored and an RBI ... Chris Colvin went 2-for-3.

Batting leadoff for Encinal, Loy reached base four times, going 3-for-4 with two runs scored and two RBI. His first-inning triple was the hardest-hit ball of the day ... Buckingham went 2-for-3 with two RBI and a double ... Johnson was officially 0-for-1, but walked twice and scored both times.

Dunlap and Smith combined to strike out 10 batters ... Dunlap made 97 pitches ... James Assia pitched a five-inning no-hitter and Chris Weakley homered and drove in three runs as the Cougars (1-2) defeated Oakland 17-0 at home on Wednesday.

SCHEDULES ... The Jets play the Granada Matadors in Livermore today at 3:30 p.m.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Youth soccer

The ACCYSL Mavericks Select Soccer Team will hold tryouts for boys and girls from March 4 through April 29. The girls' tryouts will be at Fielding and Gabe fields on Fifth Street near Gilman in Berkeley. The boys' tryouts will be held on the same fields, as well as Booker T. Anderson field in Richmond, Cypress Avenue near 47th Street.

For field locations and times, turn to the Mavericks Web site <http://www.accysl.org>. Or call the Mavericks at (510) 655-8500.

The Mavericks program, which competes in the fall, has been drawing players from the East Bay since 1989. The program fields 19 teams in age brackets from under-11 through under-19.

Soccer tryouts

The Bay Oaks program of the Jack London Youth Soccer League (JLYSL) will hold tryouts for 2001-02 Bay Oaks teams beginning Saturday, March 3. All interested soccer players are invited to attend.

The tryout process consists of at least three tryout dates. During the tryout process, players will be observed by a number of experienced coaches in full-sided games, small-sided scrimmages, and other drills. The tryout process is open and all players must attend tryouts to be selected for a Bay Oaks team.

Players must wear shin guards and cleats, and bring one white and one dark shirt. Players should try to attend all tryout dates. Tryouts for under-15 and older will begin March 27 and are posted on the Bay Oaks Web site at www.bayoaks.net.

All under-10 to under-14 tryouts

will take place at Alameda Point field No. 2 at the dates and places as follows:

- Under-10 Girls, Born after: 7-31-91: Saturday, March 3, 9:30-noon; Sunday, March 4, 10-noon; Saturday, Mar. 10, 10-noon.
- Under-11 Girls, born between 8-1-90 and 7-31-91: Saturday, March 3, 11:30-2; Sunday, March 4, noon-2; Saturday, March 10, noon-2.
- Under-12 Girls, born between 8-1-89 and 7-31-90: Saturday, March 3, 1:30-4; Sunday, March 4, 2-4; Saturday, March 10, 2-4.
- Under-13 Girls, born between 8-1-88 and 7-31-89: Saturday, March 3, 3:30-6; Sunday, March 4, 4-6; Saturday, March 10, 4-6.
- Under-14 Girls, born between 8-1-87 and 7-31-88: Saturday, March 3, 7:30-10 a.m.; Sunday, March 4, 8-10; Saturday, March 10, 8-10.
- Under-10 Boys, Born after: 7-31-91: Saturday, March 3, 9:30-noon; Sunday, March 4, 10-noon; Sunday, Mar. 11, 10-noon.
- Under-11 Boys, born between 8-1-90 and 7-31-91: Saturday, March 3, 11:30-2; Sunday, March 4, noon-2; Sunday, March 11, noon-2.
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8-1-88 and 7-31-

March 4, 11-4-6

Under-14 Boys,

8-1-87 and 7-31-

March 3, 7:30-

day, March 4, 8-

March 11, 8-1-

Parents and ple-

tional questions

www.bayoaks.net. Ple-

Web site or call

your tryout date for any

changes

Spring schedules needed

The Hills Newspapers schedules for high school sports. Please fax schedules to 4066.

El Cerrito baseball guide

El Cerrito Youth Baseball kick off its 2001 season opening-day parade festivities on Saturday, March 3, celebration begins starting at 10 a.m. at El Cerrito Middle School, northbound to Ashbur Moeser Lane, ending at Cal Park. A hot dog lunch shirts will be sold. For more info, call 527-5603.

Job openings

The City of Oakland is seeking applications for elementary school programs. \$8.75-\$16 per hour. Gong, after-school playground. Contact: City of Oakland, 238-3494.

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The men's qualifying, 36 holes, will take two weekends, March 10-11 and 17-18, and each round will be separated by a week. Those playing their first 18 holes on March 10 will play their second round on March 18. Those who tee off on March 11 will finish on March 17. Something about fairness and weather — it will take two weekends to finish the qualifying since only one golf course will be used, and it would not be "fair" if one weekend had rain.

If this "fairness" thing — the same type of "fairness" doctrine employed by the PGA Tour to cancel the AT&T in 1996 — keeps up

in golf, pretty soon a 6-foot-5 golfer will not be allowed to compete against a 5-foot-4 golfer, and if they don't use the same swing one would be disqualified.

Golf is not fair. It is not fair for a 12-year-old to beat a law student in the finals, like Burkard did last year.

And it certainly is not fair for Harding Park to be open while hundreds of mud-cuffed golfers are denied a chance to play in the City.

But at least they will play The City.

Ron Salsig, who believes it is not fair for the sun to shine one way in the morning and another in the afternoon, can be reached at rsalsig@pacbell.net.

Panthers

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St. Mary's, the fourth-ranked team in the Times poll and the No. 1 Division IV team in the state according to calhisports.com, shot out to an 11-2 lead to start the game and built the advantage to 28-10 with 4:38 left in the half. But Salesian (23-5), ranked seventh in the Times poll, began chipping away.

The Panthers held a 32-25 half-time advantage and an 48-39 edge after the third quarter.

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Arts

'Mexican' borders on success

■ So the story has a few flaws and its share of violence, but this Roberts-Pitt comedy will still leave you smiling

By Mary F. Pols
STAFF WRITER

"The Mexican" is the perfectly engineered date movie for the new millennium. It's got Brad Pitt and Julia Roberts — both playing zany, appealing characters — plenty of hit men and blood on the walls for the boys, and a love story and cute outfits for the girls. Let the box-office bonanza begin.

Reluctant, bumbling mob boss employee Jerry (Pitt) is given the choice of death or traveling to Mexico to do one last task before being

REVIEW

■ **WHAT:** "The Mexican"

■ **STARRING:** Brad Pitt, Julia Roberts, James Gandolfini

■ **RATING:** R (violence, language)

■ **RUNNING TIME:** 2 hours, 3 minutes

■ **WHERE:** Opens today at area theaters

■ **GRADE:** B+

released from the crime ring. His snakelike immediate boss, Bernie Nayman (Bob Balaban), is sending him to a remote village to retrieve a valuable hand-crafted silver pistol (the Mexican) for the big boss.

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JULIA ROBERTS and James Gandolfini have some nice chemistry in "The Mexican"

Berkeley troupe offers sharp, funny 'Someone'

SHOTGUN PLAYERS' current production, "Someone Who'll Watch Over Me," by Irish playwright Frank McGuinness, is a sobering, acidly etched — and yet, achingly and oddly funny — story about the resiliency of the human spirit under extreme duress. It's a tight play, a tiny cell with three prisoners stripped to their underwear and chained to the floor.

Director Patrick Dooley's tight direction adds to the intensity. But it is the sharply defined portrayals by the three actors that make this difficult play work. They are: Kevin Karkick as Michael, an English university teacher; Richard J. Silberg as Adam, an American psychologist; and Clive Worsley as Edward, an Irish journalist.

The constraints of space and movement are essential elements of



JACK TUCKER
Community theatre

the drama. After almost two hours — if you give yourself to the story unfolding on the little platform stage only yards away — you begin to share a feeling of deprivation, to sense the tightening grip of fear; to understand how it could feel to lose your sanity.

"Silence was also a critical part of this production," Dooley said when asked about some of his directorial choices.

"In rehearsal, the actors found that it was very difficult to stay on

stage and not speak for only five minutes. The other temptation was to feel that they had to make up for their silence by filling the space with physical noise — activities, mimed stuff, artificial emotions, heavy breathing, etc.

"When they actually relaxed and just silently coexisted, it was beautiful — like watching a nature program."

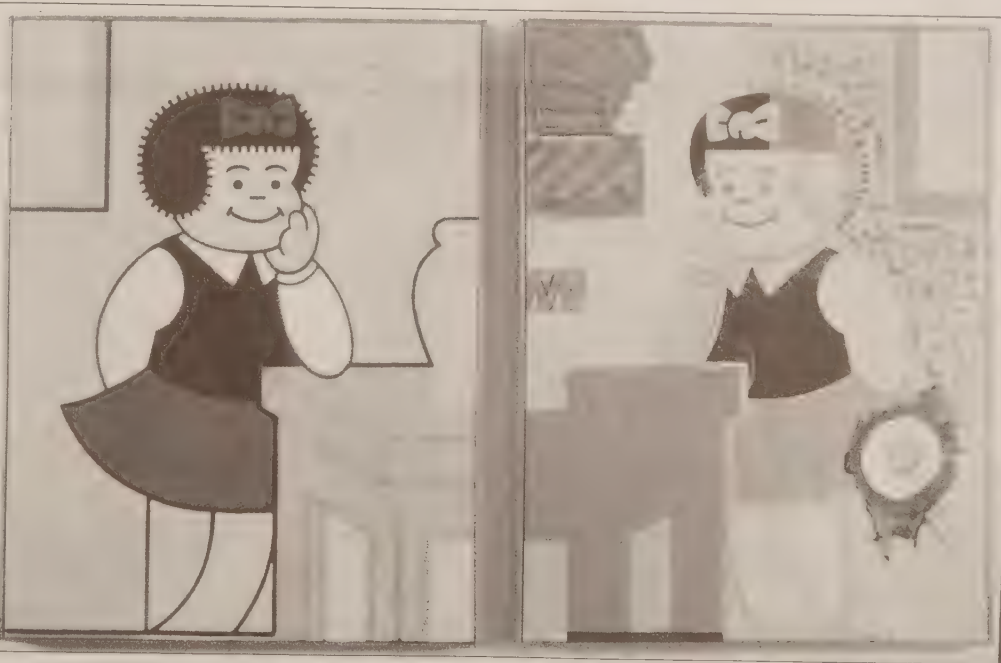
To fight their mounting fear and save their sanity, the prisoners create imaginary refuges in their minds into which they can withdraw. They write and read aloud imaginary letters. In one especially funny sequence, each takes turns pretending to direct movies of the other two. The styles are eerily on the mark of their favorite directors: Hitchcock, Sam Peckinpah, Richard Attenborough.

They play imaginary games. They throw parties. They get angry with each other and shout. They make up. And it is in these turnabouts that they reveal a deep affection for and a dependence on one another.

The humor is sharp and penetrating. You feel guilty laughing, given the fix they're in. Then you realize the humor springs from an inner terror and they are holding it at bay with shafts of laughter.

This intensity cannot go on indefinitely, neither on stage or in life. Something has to give. The dramatic explosion is a catharsis, the purging of the emotions or relief of emotional tension, a concept originally applied by Aristotle to the effect of tragic drama on audiences.

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JOE BRAINARD dabbled in illustration to create his 1974 oil canvas painting of "Nancy Diptych." But he didn't really stick with any particular style, so he's difficult to categorize.

Museum presents retrospective on Brainard

■ Not exactly a household name, this master of collage and assemblage was known mainly in New York

By Brady Kahn
CORRESPONDENT

On a recent Sunday, the upstairs gallery at the Berkeley Art Museum is packed. French tourists kibitz over an ornate Madonna and Child postcard construction. A young man gazes at a large painting depicting a series of Cinzano ashtrays. "Come and look at the pretty pictures of flowers," a mother calls out to her child, who is rummaging around the room. Yet others are looking at some humorous takeoffs on the "Nancy" cartoon character. A group of miniature collages — detailed images each no bigger than a matchbook — also can be spotted.

All of this is part of the museum's captivating new show of work by a lesser-known artist named Joe

EXHIBIT

■ **WHAT:** Joe Brainard: A Retrospective

■ **WHEN AND WHERE:** Through May 27 at the Berkeley Art Museum, 2626 Bancroft Way

■ **HOURS:** 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday

■ **HOW MUCH:** \$6 general; \$4 ages 12-17, non-UC Berkeley students, seniors and disabled; free ages 12 and under, UC Berkeley students and museum members; free to all Thursdays 11-noon and 5-9 p.m.

■ **CALL:** 510-642-0808

Brainard, who died in 1994. "Joe Brainard: A Retrospective" takes a look at the artist's prolific and varied work from the 1960s and '70s. A master of collage and assemblage,

Brainard was never well-known outside of New York, and his work has been largely neglected by the art world.

"He was forgotten," the show's curator, Constance Lewallen, said recently. "He was never famous — although he had a following, and it wasn't as if he was unknown — but once he stopped showing (after 1980), his reputation faded."

Lewallen — whose husband, poet and art critic Bill Berkson, actually knew and worked with Brainard — said she became more aware of the artist after a 1997 show in New York. She's interested in Brainard because he presaged many artists of the last two decades. "So many of the issues that he was dealing with became the issues that artists in the '80s and '90s were dealing with — whether or not they were aware of the work of Joe Brainard," she said. "Decoration, beauty, excess, comic strips, appropriation, work dealing with sexual preference and homosexuality — in an oblique way — these issues kept

him at the margin of the mainstream in the '60s, but would have put him right at the center of things later on in the '80s and '90s."

While Brainard thought of himself as a painter, Lewallen pointed out, "his real genius was in collage. He was able to see and put together a whole variety of elements in a magical way." The results are funny and interesting, and often surprisingly beautiful, given their ordinary origins. The elements — paper scraps, labels, string, etc. — often appear to have been just lying around the house.

Brainard was a minimalist, yet he worked on large-scale pieces as well. He often shifted between styles. "As far as career goes, the fact of his not having a signature style worked against him, and he knew that," Lewallen said. "Later it became a post-modern trope to change styles."

Born in 1942 in Tulsa, Okla., Brainard went to New York fresh out

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EVENTS

Golden Gate Geographic Society

Travel Film Series — "Portugal and The Azores and Madeira" Grant Foster presents his film covering Lisbon, the Algarve, Fatima, and Batalha's and Alcobaca's great cathedrals. March 2, 7:45 p.m.: Chabot College Performing Arts Center, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward. March 3, 2 p.m.: Chabot College, 465 Broadway, Oakland. (899) 247-1515.

Paramount Movie Classics Series

"On Golden Pond," March 2, 8 p.m. Henry Ford is a doctor who bullies his wife and his daughter. Their 48th anniversary is his home. \$5. 2425 Broadway, Oakland. (510) 465-6400 or 925.7422.

Paramount Theatre Tour

March 3 and March 17, 10 a.m. The historic Paramount Theatre is a restored art deco masterpiece from the movie palace era. The two-hour tour covers areas not usually accessible to the public. Cameras are allowed. Children must be at least 10 years old and accompanied by an adult. Meet at the 21st Street entrance. \$1. 2025 Broadway, Oakland. (510) 465-6400 or www.paramounttheatre.com

The 31st Annual 'White Elephant Sale'

March 3, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A huge sale of absolutely everything, divided into 15 sections. In a blockwide warehouse, one can find items ranging from a pair of 1930s antique dancing shoes in good condition to a vintage car for a dollar. In fact, the sale includes a complete Frank Sinatra box set of 1950s recordings, a Peruvian show, a vintage car, and a lot of other items. The sale is held at the Oakland Museum, 1001 Broadway. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Strollers or shopping carts are permitted. A shuttle bus will be available between the Fruitvale BART Station and the White Elephant Warehouse.

Free admission. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The White Elephant Warehouse, 333 Lancaster St., Oakland. (510) 536-6800

Berkeley Repertory Theatre Ribbon Cutting

March 6, 10 a.m. A kick-off event inaugurating the Berkeley Repertory Theatre's new 600-seat, state-of-the-art proscenium theatre. A reception follows in the upper lobby. 2015 Addison St., Berkeley. (510) 841-2907

Brazilian Carnival Ball 2001

March 9, 8 p.m. Featuring Armando and Tio Eletro, Moraes Moreira, Pandemonium Band, Aquarela Dancers and MC DJ Kay. \$30 to \$45 general. Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center, 10 Tenth St., Oakland. (415) 585-8684 or (510) 238-7765.

West Coast Live

Join the studio audience as Sedge Thomson hosts musical guests, authors and others for his live radio broadcast. March 10, 10 a.m.: Featuring Amitav Ghosh, Patrick McCabe, Susan Werner, m-pact, Claire Peaslee, Mike Greensil.

\$12. Freight and Salvage, 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. (415) 664-9500 or www.wcl.org

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater

Program A, March 2 through March 11: Featuring Alvin Ailey's "Night Creature" and "Revelations," Dwight Rhoden's "Chocolate Sessions" and Alonzo King's "Following the Sun." Current Upstream." March 2, and March 8, 8 p.m.; March 3, 2 p.m.; March 11, 3 p.m.

Program B, March 3 through March 10: Featuring Alvin Ailey's "Passions," "Pas de Deux," "Cry and Revelations." March 3, 8 p.m.; March 4, 3 p.m.; March 10, 2 p.m.

Program C, March 7 through March 10: Featuring Alvin Ailey's "Blues Suites," Judith Jamison's "Double Exposure" and Ronald K. Brown's "Grace." All performances 8 p.m. \$20 to \$46. Zellerbach Hall, University of California, Bancroft Way, and Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley. (510) 642-9988.

La Pena Cultural Center

March 2, 8 p.m. The ethnic dance company presents an evening of music and dance from Egypt, Turkey, Morocco and the Balkan Roma. \$15. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. (510) 849-2568 ext. 20.

Mills College

"Modern Rites" March 2, 8 p.m. A graduate and senior dance concert presented by the Mills College Dance Department. \$7 general. \$5 students. Walter A. Haas Pavilion, 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. (510) 430-2175.

National Dance Lab

March 2. Choreographer Elizabeth Streb and four of her dancers investigate

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BILL MANN
Media Notes

Inside the 'new' KCBS

Like many of you, I rely on all-news KCBS (740 AM) for news and information daily. I'm an average-weekday listener, and I'm one of the 50,000 people tuning in to the 740-AM station. I generally find the news product first-rate.

The other day, I got a new look at KCBS' brand new studios. I went to the "Grav Kock" at 855 Battery St. in Embarcadero, the new building also occupied by KTVU (above) and CBS MarketWatch.com (below).

The first thing you notice as you drive up is that penurious parent company Infinity Broadcasting (the radio division of Viacom-CBS) has moved its building into a billboard extension of Infinity Outdoor Advertising. There's a big ad now on the west side of the building. It's a picture of a man in a suit, looking at the camera. The man is a KCBS news anchor. The man is a KCBS news anchor. The man is a KCBS news anchor.

"We moved in too soon," says a KCBS staffer, taking me aside and pointing to all the half-finished production studios and writer's stalls without computer terminals. "We moved in too soon?" asks the well-known KCBS air personality sarcastically. "Yeah, like maybe a year too soon. That's my guess. At this point, we are NOT ready. Not yet, and in the meantime, the equipment we're running doesn't even match what we have at Embarcadero One."

So, if you hear hammering in the background of a KCBS news broadcast, you'll know why. So, it's not all roses these days at KCBS, even though the station has a bright new face and its on-air product sounds good. But another KCBS air personality adds this: "Most of the people we've been seeing the past five years here as producers, editors and reporters are pretty useless. These are people with marginal talent, few writing skills, and little news judgement. There's a huge drop-off in quality."

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FRIDAY MOVIE LISTINGS

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Showtimes for Friday, March 2

Alameda County

Act I & II

2126 Center Street, Berkeley 943-8414
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
• **Faithless** (R) 5:00, 8:30

Albany Twin

1115 Solano Avenue, Albany 843-8510
• **In the Mood for Love** (PG) 8:45, 9:50
• **Pollock** (R) 6:30, 9:10

California Theatres

2113 Alameda Street, Berkeley 843-8414
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 1:35, 4:10, 6:45, 9:15
• **The Mexican** (R) 1:45, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30
• **Shadow of the Vampire** (R) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:40

Cent. 25 Union City Library

3710 16th Avenue, Union City 487-9551
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 11:35 a.m., 12:40, 2:25, 3:55, 5:10, 6:50, 7:15, 7:55, 9:10, 10:40
• **Cast Away** (PG-13) 11:55 a.m., 3:05, 6:40, 10:05
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 12:35, 3:55, 6:45, 9:30
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) noon, 1:15, 2:55, 4:10, 5:45, 7:25, 9:10, 11:40
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 12:15, 12:50, 1:45, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:45, 5:15, 5:55, 6:55, 7:35, 8:10, 9:10, 9:50, 10:30, 11:35

• **Hannibal** (R) 11:40 a.m., 12:25, 1:40, 2:40, 3:40, 4:40, 5:40, 6:45, 7:45, 8:45, 9:35, 10:45, 11:45
• **The Mexican** (R) 11:30 a.m., noon, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 5:05, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, 7:05, 7:45, 8:15, 8:45, 9:15, 9:45, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 11:55
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 12:10, 2:35, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40, mid-10s
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 11:50 a.m., 12:55, 1:55, 3:20, 5:00, 5:25, 7:40

• **Saving Silverman** (PG) 11:30, 12:45
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 11:40 a.m., 10:45, 2:00, 3:10, 4:40, 5:10, 6:40, 7:10, 8:45, 9:15, 10:40
• **Sweet November** 11:45 a.m., 2:20, 4:55, 7:30, 10:15
• **Traffic** (R) 12:05, 3:25, 7:10, 10:20
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 8:00, 10:25

Chabot Cinema

2853 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley 582-2555
• **The Mexican** (R) 4:00, 7:00, 9:45

Chabot Space & Science Center Tien MegaDome

10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland 336-7300
• **The Mysterians of Egypt** (NR) 11:30 a.m., 3:00, 8:30
• **Solar Max** (NR) 7:30
• **To Be an Astronaut** (NR) 10:30 a.m., 1:00

Elmwood

2855 College Avenue, Berkeley 843-0530
• **Chunhying** (R) 7:30
• **The Gift** (R) 7:15
• **Requiem for a Dream** (R) 4:45, 9:30
• **State and Main** (R) 5:00, 9:25
• **Thirteen Days** (PG-13) 6:50
• **Wonder Boys** (PG) 5:00, 9:30

Fine Arts Cinema - Berkeley

2451 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 848-1143
• **Dark Days** (NR) 7:30
• **The Taking of Pelham 1,2,3** (NR) 9:15

Grand Lake Theater

3200 Grand Avenue, Oakland 452-3555
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30
• **Hannibal** (R) 12:30, 3:15, 6:00, 8:45, 9:30
• **The Mexican** (R) 12:35, 3:45, 7:00, 9:45
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) noon, 6:00
• **Traffic** (R) 12:15, 3:10, 8:00

Jack London Cinema

100 Washington Street, Oakland 433-1320
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 11:30 a.m., 2:10, 5:00, 7:50, 10:45
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:05 a.m., 1:10, 3:50, 5:45, 8:10, 10:30
• **Hannibal** (R) 10:45 a.m., 1:35, 4:30, 7:30, 10:35
• **The Mexican** (R) 11:00 a.m., 1:00, 1:55, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40, 10:40, 10:40
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 11:50 a.m., 2:15, 4:40, 7:15, 9:40
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 11:30 a.m., 1:35, 4:40, 7:15, 9:40
• **Sweet November** 11:10 a.m., 1:50, 4:35, 7:25, 10:15
• **Traffic** (R) noon, 3:15, 7:05, 10:20
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 9:30

Mann Festival 9 Cinemas Hayward

19501 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward 785-8000
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 1:30, 4:25, 7:25, 10:10
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) noon, 1:15, 2:15, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40, 10:40
• **Finders Keepers** (PG-13) 10:15
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 12:30, 2:45
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 12:45, 3:00, 5:10, 7:45
• **Save the Last Dance** (PG-13) 1:20, 4:10, 6:50, 9:40
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 12:15, 2:45, 5:20, 7:55, 10:15, 10:45, 10:45, 10:45
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 1:50, 4:50, 7:50, 10:25
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

NAZ 8

39400 Argonaut Way, Fremont 797-2000
• **Aashiq** (NR) 5:00, 9:00
• **Anita Mani Manchi** (NR) 9:00
• **Kasoor** (NR) 5:00, 9:00
• **Kuch Kuch Kuch Mein** (NR) 5:00, 9:00
• **Mahadana** (NR) 9:30
• **Mohabbat** (NR) 5:00
• **Pyaar Kiya To Darna Kya** (NR) 5:00, 9:00, 11:00
• **Pyaar Kiya To Darna Kya** (NR) 5:00
• **Daksheeta** (NR) 5:00, 9:00

Oak Theater

1875 Solano Avenue, Berkeley 526-1865
• **The Emperor's New Groove** (G) 6:00
• **Switch** (R) 7:20, 9:35
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 7:00, 9:25

Piedmont Theatre

5115 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland 843-8414
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 4:15, 7:00, 9:40
• **Shadow of the Vampire** (R) 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
• **You Can Count on Me** (R) 4:05, 6:45, 9:15

Shattuck Cinemas

2920 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 843-8414
• **Before Night Falls** (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
• **Best in Show** (PG-13) 4:15, 6:15
• **Butter** (PG-13) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 8:30
• **Finders Keepers** (PG-13) 12:15, 3:45, 6:30, 9:20
• **The House of Mirth** (PG-13) 1:50, 5:10, 8:10
• **Malena** (R) 1:05, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45
• **O Brother, Where Art Thou?** 1:55, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
• **Quills** (R) 5:00

Red Vic

1727 Haight Street, San Francisco (415) 688-3994
• **The Exorcist** (R) 7:20, 9:55

Roxie

3117 18th Street, San Francisco (415) 863-1087
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 7:00, 9:30

Sony Metreon

101 4th Street, San Francisco (415) 389-0200
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 1:05, 4:20, 7:45, 11:00
• **Cast Away** (PG-13) 11:00 a.m., 5:50
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 12:40, 3:40, 6:30, 9:35
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 1:20, 4:30, 7:40, 9:50, 10:50
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:20, 2:50, 5:30, 8:00, 10:40
• **Hannibal** (R) 12:30, 3:55, 7:10, 10:30
• **The Mexican** (R) 10:40 a.m., noon, 1:50, 3:10, 5:00, 6:20, 8:10, 9:30, 11:20, midnight
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 11:05 a.m., 9:20, 11:50
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 11:50 a.m., 2:20, 4:40, 7:00
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 10:50 a.m., 2:40, 5:10, 7:50, 10:40
• **Shadow of the Vampire** (R) 1:30, 4:40, 6:30, 9:10, 11:40
• **Switch** (R) 11:10 a.m., 2:10, 5:20, 8:20, 11:10
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:15, 10:05
• **Traffic** (R) 11:20 a.m., 3:00, 6:40, 10:40
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 11:40 a.m., 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:30

UA Berkeley 7

2274 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 843-1487
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 11:45 a.m., 2:30, 5:20, 8:05, 10:50
• **Cast Away** (PG-13) 12:10, 3:15, 7:10, 10:20
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:45
• **Hannibal** (R) 12:55, 4:00, 7:30, 10:15
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:45, 10:10
• **Traffic** (R) 12:45, 4:15, 7:30, 10:40
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00

UA Emerybay 10

4810 Christie Avenue, Emeryville 420-0107
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 11:00 a.m., 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 10:40 a.m., 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 10:40 a.m., 1:05, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50, 12:30, 10:40
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10, 12:30, 10:40
• **Hannibal** (R) 10:45 a.m., 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45
• **The Mexican** (R) 10:30 a.m., 1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10, 12:30 a.m.
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 10:30 a.m., 12:45, 3:05, 5:20
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 10:30 a.m., 12:40, 2:55, 5:15, 7:30, 9:50
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 10:30 a.m., 12:50, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10
• **Switch** (R) 9:40, 12:10 a.m.
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 10:30, 10:40
• **Traffic** (R) 12:15, 4:45, 7:20, 10:30

UA Hayward 6

24800 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward 786-3000

UC Theatre

2036 University Avenue, Berkeley 843-8414
• **The Godfather, Part II** (NR) 8:15
• **The Godfather** (R) 9:00

Central Contra Costa

Crow Canyon 6

2525 San Ramon Valley Boulevard, San Ramon 820-4831
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 1:45, 4:25, 7:10, 9:45
• **Finders Keepers** (PG-13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:20, 10:15
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 9:30
• **O Brother, Where Art Thou?** (PG-13) 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:45, 10:00
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 11:30 a.m., 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30
• **See Spot Run** (PG) noon, 2:30, 5:00, 7:25, 9:40
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15
• **Traffic** (R) noon, 3:20, 7:10, 10:10

Festival Walnut Creek

1450 North California Blvd., Walnut Creek 934-8649
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:45 a.m., 2:15, 4:55, 7:35, 9:45
• **Hannibal** (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
• **The Mexican** (R) 11:15 a.m., 2:00, 4:40, 7:25, 10:05
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15
• **Traffic** (R) noon, 3:20, 7:10, 10:10

Orinda Theater

10000 Skyline Blvd., Orinda 924-9660
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 3:30, 9:00
• **Malena** (R) 6:00, 8:00, 10:00
• **The Mexican** (R) 7:00, 9:40

Park Theater

3510 Golden Gate Way, Lafayette 945-7997
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 7:00, 9:30

Rheem All-Stadium 4

350 Park Street, Menlo Park 924-3411
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 4:30, 7:15, 9:40
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 5:30, 7:45, 9:30
• **Hannibal** (R) 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
• **Traffic** (R) 4:00, 7:00, 9:45

Century 10 Pinole

1411 Fitzgerald Drive, Pinole 222-8000
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 11:35 a.m., 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 11:55 a.m., 2:30, 5:15, 7:50, 10:25
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 11:40 a.m., 2:15, 5:05, 7:55, 10:35
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 1:35, 4:15, 6:50, 9:30, 10:10
• **Hannibal** (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
• **The Mexican** (R) 11:30 a.m., 12:45, 2:15, 3:30, 4:55, 6:45, 7:45, 9:40, 10:50
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 11:45 a.m., 4:35
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 11:55 a.m., 4:40, 7:40, 5:45, 7:55
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 11:50 a.m., 2:25, 4:40, 7:15, 9:45
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 2:00, 7:00, 9:45
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 10:10, 10:45

AMC 1000 Van Ness

1000 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco (415) 922-4444
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:10, 9:35, 10:45
• **Chocolat** (PG-13) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 12:55, 3:15, 5:35, 7:55, 10:15
• **Hannibal** (R) 1:25, 4:35, 7:45, 9:55, 10:45
• **The Mexican** (R) 1:30, 2:40, 4:05, 5:05, 7:15, 8:05, 10:10, 11:00
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 12:50, 3:10, 5:25, 7:35, 9:45
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 12:30, 1:35, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:05, 8:05, 10:25
• **Switch** (R) 1:45, 5:00, 7:40, 10:30
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 1:50, 4:10, 6:55, 7:50, 10:45
• **Thirteen Days** (PG-13) 12:45, 7:10, 10:40
• **Traffic** (R) 12:35, 4:40, 7:25, 10:55
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 1:40, 4:25, 7:00, 9:30

AMC Kabuki 8

1881 Post Street, San Francisco (415) 922-4444
• **3000 Miles to Graceland** (R) 1:00, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10
• **Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon** (PG-13) 1:15, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20
• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 1:40, 4:30, 7:15, 9:40
• **Hannibal** (R) 12:50, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
• **The Mexican** (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:40, 10:45
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 12:40, 5:15, 7:35, 10:00
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 12:40, 2:55, 5:10, 7:25
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 12:30, 3:30, 5:20, 7:50, 10:15
• **The Wedding Planner** (PG-13) 2:45, 9:50

Bridge

3010 Geary Blvd., San Francisco (415) 952-0810
• **O Brother, Where Art Thou?** (PG-13) 2:15, 4:40, 7:15, 9:45

Castro Theatre

Castro Street & Market Streets, San Francisco (415) 621-6120
• **Taboo** (NR) 7:00, 9:30

Clay

2261 Fillmore Street, San Francisco (415) 352-0810
• **In the Mood for Love** (PG) noon, 2:20, 4:40, 7:00, 9:20

Embarcadero

1 Embarcadero Center, San Francisco (415) 352-0810
• **Faithless** (R) 12:45, 4:15, 8:00
• **Pollock** (R) noon, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, 9:00, 9:45
• **State and Main** (R) 12:30, 3:30, 7:30, 9:50
• **You Can Count on Me** (R) 1:15, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

Lumiere

1572 California Street, San Francisco (415) 352-0810
• **Before Night Falls** (R) 12:20, 3:30, 6:45, 9:30
• **Last Resort** (PG-13) 12:40, 4:45, 8:25
• **Requiem for a Dream** (NR) 2:20, 8:00, 10:10
• **Standing on Fishes** (NR) 12:20, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30

Opera Plaza Cinemas

601 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco (415) 352-0810
• **Best in Show** (PG-13) 1:20, 9:30
• **Billy Elliot** (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:45
• **The House of Mirth** (PG-13) 12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:20
• **Malena** (R) 4:20, 7:20
• **Quills** (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40

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• **Down to Earth** (PG-13) 11:20, 2:50, 5:30, 8:00, 10:40
• **Hannibal** (R) 12:30, 3:55, 7:10, 10:30
• **The Mexican** (R) 10:40 a.m., noon, 1:50, 3:10, 5:00, 6:20, 8:10, 9:30, 11:20, midnight
• **Monkeybone** (PG-13) 11:05 a.m., 9:20, 11:50
• **Recess: School's Out** (G) 11:50 a.m., 2:20, 4:40, 7:00
• **See Spot Run** (PG) 10:50 a.m., 2:40, 5:10, 7:50, 10:40
• **Shadow of the Vampire** (R) 1:30, 4:40, 6:30, 9:10, 11:40
• **Switch** (R) 11:10 a.m., 2:10, 5:20, 8:20, 11:10
• **Sweet November** (PG-13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:1

Calendar

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Smart Jon Beijing Express Toastmasters Club Meetings take place every Monday, 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. at the Smart Jon Beijing Express Restaurant, 2068 Center Street, Berkeley. For additional information call 549-4542.

Yoga Meeting Stand up and stretch. Practice with a group. Tuesday, Noon to 1 p.m. at the Yoga Studio, 2068 Center Street, Berkeley. Call 883-6708 for additional information.

Topical Off Sensibly (TOPS) Meetings take place every Thursday evening at the First Baptist Church, Richmond, on Solano Avenue. Call Betty Coates 235-1500 for more information.

Yiddish Conversation at 1 p.m. on the North Berkeley Senior Center. Call 644-6107 for additional information. The Berkeley Community Center Toastmasters Club meet on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 7:15 to 8:30 a.m. at the Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant. Details: 544-3765.

Berkeley Arthritis Support and Education Group meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except December) at 2 p.m. in the Maffly Auditorium, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley. Call Dr. Brian Kaye, a neurologist, at 848-6370 for more information. The group has treated many patients with various types of arthritis and will be available for consultations. For additional information call 204-4503.

Toastmasters on Campus meet the second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. at the Contra Costa Community College Program Building, 2515 Hillgates. Details: 704-1822.

Language Speaking Skills and Metaphysics Group meets together at Avatar Metaphysical Center. On-going meetings first and third Thursdays, 6:15 to 7:30 p.m., 2515 Hillgates Ave., Call 869-2547 for details.

Religiosity and Healing Voices of Healing Story Circles. Spiritually oriented group for people living with life-threatening illness. Meets second Wednesday of each month in North Berkeley. Call 528-1235 for information.

Health Toastmasters Club meet every second, third and fourth Thursday of the month from 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. at the State Health Building, 2151 Berkeley Avenue. Details: 549-7750.

Alzheimer's Informative seminars creating spiritual partnerships. Feldenkrais Center 830 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Details: 848-6337, \$20.

Bates Support Groups - Arthritis Support Group meets the second Tuesday of each month, 1:20 to 3 p.m.; 204-5532. Call for additional special events. **Wrestlers Anonymous**, a 12 step program providing free aid for those with wrestling problems, meets in Berkeley every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. (newcomers welcome) at St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave. and in Richmond every Sunday at 7 p.m. at Kaiser Hospital. Call for further information, call 273-3535.

9:30 a.m. Mondays: Take Pounds Off. Sraooy, Albany Chapter meets at 200 Sarrage St. at Marin, 233-2948 or call 525-6858.

Rehabilitation Center and East Bay Laundry sponsors a free monthly support group. No advance reservations are required, drop-in anytime. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Maffly Auditorium on Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley. Details: 544-3765.

Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, 400 Dana St., presents its eighth annual Lenten Organ Recital Series at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 2 to April 13. Free admission. March 2: John R. S. Walke, organist; March 9: Lawrence Tudor, organist; March 16: Elizabeth Walke, organist; March 23: Reiko Oda, organist; March 30: John R. S. Walke, organist; April 6: Anna Carol Dudley, organist; April 13: John R. S. Walke, organist. Free-will donations will benefit the organ fund and this series. Recapitulation of each recital. Visit www.pcbk.org for details of each recital.

Don Gloria performs at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 9, at First Congregational Church, 2845 Channing Way. The forty-third annual Don Gloria, conducted by Peter H. Simon with cellist Dan Reiter, features Jay Lyon perform "Songs of Hope and Hope." Tickets: \$11 and \$12. For more information, call 424-5555 or contact www.sdglo.org.

Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Avenue, presents "Aywah," an ethnic dance performance at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 2. The evening features music and dance from Egypt, Turkey, Morocco and the Arab World. Guest singer is Eva Prieto. Tickets: \$13 advance, \$15 door. Call 848-6369 for more information.

Myra Suzanne Teng performs a musical journey at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 10 at the Julia Morgan Center for the Arts, 2640 College Avenue. She has performed her compositions with spiritual leaders such as Marianne Williamson, who was a featured artist at the Sacred Music. Tickets: \$15, \$10 for students and seniors. Call 925-798-1100 for more information. For more information, call 925-798-1100 or visit www.sacredmusic.org.

Seven living American composers including Andrew Imbrie, at 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 4 at the Riverside Church of Berkeley. A reception for audience and performers follows. The concert is held at One Lawson Rd., which has free parking and is wheelchair accessible. Suggested donation: \$5 general admission, \$10 for students and seniors. For more information, call 525-6022.

Perian Church of Berkeley, 1501 52nd St., begins its 8th annual Lenten Organ Recital Series with organist John R. S. Walke, at 7 p.m. on Friday

March 2. The program includes the works of Walther, Albin, and Whitlock. Admission is free. Donations benefit the organ fund and the series. Reception follows each recital, except on Good Friday. For more information, call 848-6242.

The Distaff Singers, an established East Bay Women's chorus, is seeking new members. No auditions required, just a love of singing. Classical, pop, sacred, Broadway. Rehearsals Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Call Michelle 601-5624, or L.J. 482-1677.

Ducksan Distones, featuring Donald Bailey on piano, vocals, harmonica, Isaac Dixon, Acoustic Bass, Michael Lankford, Drums and Larry Giustino on Fretless Gibson L4, perform every Saturday night from 10 to 11 p.m. at Anna's Place, 1801 University at Grant. All ages welcome.

Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo Ave., presents Grateful Dead DJ night with Digital Dave and Jazz Z.D. on Thursday nights from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets are \$4. Call 594-1400 for additional information.

Friday Night Folk Dancing: 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.; no partners necessary for line dances taught from Rumania, Bulgaria, Israel, Turkey, Near East and other lands each Friday from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., followed by request dances from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. No experience necessary - all ages welcome. Albany YMCA, 901 Kains Ave.; \$4; call 525-1542.

Outdoors
Learn to feed and care for orphaned baby birds: house sparrows, starlings and pigeons are introduced species that are not afforded care by rehabilitation groups. You can make an important contribution in returning these species to the wild life they deserve to have. Free training and some supplies. Call Myrna 531-3042 or Lelia 6555-3911.

Turning Point at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, offers "Scribble Time," a technique that helps participants understand themselves and to find focus. The group meets on Tuesdays by appointments and is free to YWCA members. Call 848-6370 for additional information, leave a message for Anne Levine.

East Bay Regional Park Botanical Garden Tilden Park, presents regular tours, seven days a week. Week days 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, and Sundays 2 p.m. Special tours by appointment Call 841-8732. For a schedule of upcoming classes call 925-820-1021.

Support
The pain and grief associated with the death of a loved one can often feel overwhelming - especially during the holidays. Many people suffer isolation. The grief counseling project is here to help. No one is turned away for lack of money. Call 889-1104.

"The Grief Care Community" offers 8-week bereavement support groups as well as art therapy grief groups, and individual support. Call 540-0830 for additional information.

The local self-help group for Berkeley National Multiple Sclerosis Society meets periodically. Call Toni at 653-4534 for additional information.

Alta Bates Medical Center Herrick Campus offers a guided relaxation and visualization for people with cancer every Thursday, 5-6 p.m. at its Comprehensive Cancer Center, first floor Conference Room, 2001 Dwight Way. The Center offers this solution with an innovative approach to reducing stress and anxiety and creating positive, life-affirming images. Call 204-1811 for additional information.

Alta Bates Medical Center, offers a Grief Education Class every third Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. to noon at ABMC Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way. The class covers common and personal grief reactions. Fee: \$10. No one refused due to inability to pay. For further information, contact 841-2930.

Alta Bates Medical Center, 2001 Dwight Way, offers support group classes for stroke survivors and their families and friends on the first Tuesday of the month, from 4-5 p.m. at the Herrick Campus of Alta Bates Medical Center. There is no admission charge and advance registration is not necessary. Call 204-4503 for additional information.

The Comprehensive Cancer Center and Breast Center Salon, Alta Bates Medical Center, 2001 Dwight Way, offers a support group for friends and families coping with cancer. The support group is offered on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. This is a free service. Call 204-1811 for additional information.

The Lupus Foundation of Northern California is still accepting applications for its Youth Pilot Support Program currently underway at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford. The group meets monthly and is open to teens suffering from lupus and other rheumatic diseases. For more information, call (408) 954-8600 or visit www.balf.org.

The City of Berkeley Portable Meals program desperately needs drivers to deliver 15 meals once a week to home-bound seniors. Call 844-8590.

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Lecture/Workshop
Tai Chi Chuan and Chi-Kung classes take place at Berkeley Unitarian Church at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings and 9

a.m. Saturday mornings at Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists, 1924 Cedar St. People of all ages and physical conditions are welcome to practice. Donation: \$65. To sign up call 268-4995.

The Ecology Center, 2530 San Pablo Ave., presents a Residential Solar Electricity workshop from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, March 3. The workshop covers solar electric cells work, how to size a system, strategies for maximizing the performance and efficiency of a solar electric system, orienting the solar array, and system components. Participants also get to produce electricity using photovoltaic panels and power a range of appliances (weather permitting). Cost: \$15 for nonmembers; \$10 for members. Call 548-2220 ex. 233 to reserve space.

The YWCA offers free orientations of its Turning Point Career Center. The orientations outline the resources available to the public as well as the different things that the center has to offer such as a great variety of workshops. They are held every Tuesday, at 1:30 p.m. The Turning Point Career Center is located at 2600 Bancroft Way. For more information, call 848-6370.

Learn Computer Applications for the "working" world Using Windows '95 and 98 and Microsoft Office 2000 software, Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint. Publisher. Class offered: Monday-Friday, 2:15-6:15 p.m. Location: Contra Costa County Office of Education, 13925 San Pablo Ave., Suite No. 111, San Pablo. For information call 237-0840 or visit the web site at www.ccoe.k12.ca.us/rop

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Berkeley Community Media (BCM), Channel 25, offers affordable classes in video production and editing to Berkeley residents. Free orientations designed to introduce BCM to the public are held on Thursdays 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at 2239 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. For more information call 848-2288 and ask for Patrick, John or Sage.

Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo Ave., offers many dances classes ranging from Afro-Cuban to Kalanji Dances of India, to West Coast Swing to Lindy Hop and East Coast Swing. The Ashkenaz is a non-profit music and dance community center. Call 525-5054 for additional information.

Life Stories/Collage and Ceramics classes forming at St. John's Senior Center, 2727 College Ave., Tuesday mornings 9 a.m. to noon. All are welcome. Free. Sponsored by Berkeley Adult School. Teachers are Diana Bohn and Judith Carroll. Call 845-6830 for additional information.

Contemporary Women's Issues class is forming at the North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Blvd. Free class offered by the Berkeley Adult School, taught by Judith Carroll, MFCC. Friday mornings 10 a.m. to noon. Open to all women 55 or older. Call 644-6107 for additional information.

Dance and Fitness Classes open to all in flamenco, Afro-Brazilian, bellydance, salsa, swing, ballroom, tap, theatre dance, yoga, chi gung, tai chi, aikido, pilates-based body conditioning and more at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Drop in fees: \$8-10. Information: 848-6370.

Let's Swing and Jitterbug, 7 p.m., beginning classes, 8 p.m. intermediate, four-week dance classes beginning the first Tuesday of the month; Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut, Berkeley; Diana Castillo, 549-3591; \$40 for four classes.

Volunteers

PediatricCare provides on-going support groups for families coping with illness, grief or loss within the family. Groups meet weekly evenings in Oakland and Walnut Creek. Fees are on a sliding scale. Call PediatricCare at 531-7551 for more information.

American Cancer Society seeks volunteers for its Daffodil Days. Until March 8, daffodils, the first flower of spring and the symbol of hope for a cancer-free world—will be sold to benefit the American Cancer Society's groundbreaking research, community education, legislative advocacy and patient service programs. Volunteers can help by distributing order forms; organizing daffodil sales in the workplace or community; planning flower delivery routes; arranging bouquets or delivering flowers. For more information call 1-877-691-HOPE.

The Alcohol Research Group (ARG) is conducting a study, funded by a grant from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA). The goal of the study is to compare the cost and effectiveness of two kinds of substance abuse day treatment; medical model day treatment and social model day treatment. The study is called the SMART Project. Interested parties may call 1-888-249-8802 for more information.

The Crisis Support Services of Alameda County needs volunteers to provide telephone crisis intervention. The agency needs motivated committed people to serve its 24-hour crisis lines. No prior experience required. Excellent training provided. Call 848-1515 for more information.

Volunteers are needed at the Alameda County Community Food Bank to staff emergency food referral service, the Hunger Hotline. Shifts are available on Monday and Tuesday mornings, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Call volunteer coordinator Mary Schoen at 834-FOOD for more information and a current volunteer newsletter.

Contra Costa County Volunteers in Probation are continually seeking dependable volunteers, 21 years plus, who want to spend time with youth on probation. Training will be provided and screening of all applicants is required by the Probation Department. If you are interested, call Kat Thompson, Director of Volunteers in Probation 925-313-4187 or email kmathompson@hotmail.co.

The City of Albany Recreation and Community Services Department is seeking experienced fitness instructors in many areas of exercise and training, including Tiny tot tumbling, rompergym, acrobatics, youth dance, adult aerobics and yoga. If you have experience and have taught contact Recreation supervisor, John Medlock at 524-9283 or come by the Albany Community center at 1249 Main avenue for an instructor application.

UC Botanical Garden is looking for volunteers who are interested in plants and who would like to learn how to give tours of the Garden. Knowledge of plants is useful, but not required, and prior teaching experience is also helpful, but not essential. Principal qualifications are to like plants and to enjoy people. The training teaches about the Garden and how to lead tours. Call 643-11924 for more information and an application.

The Richmond Public Library seeks Internet Docents to teach Internet skills and to provide hands-on assistance to library patrons. Volunteers are needed for the main library Adult Department, the Children's Department, and the Bayview or West Side branch libraries. Volunteers agree to work with the public for at least one three-hour slot per week for a three month period. Solid Internet skills, including knowledge of Netscape Navigator, Internet Explorer and the ability to use two search engines well are required. Applications are available at the information desk at the main library or at the two branches. For more information, call 620-6561.

Women's Daytime Drop-in Center in Berkeley needs volunteers. The center

serves women who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts. For more information, call 548-6933.

Volunteers needed at Good Stuff Thrift Shop in El Cerrito. A fun, friendly place to work, all proceeds benefit developmentally disabled children and adults. Call 528-9455 for additional information.

Women's Cancer Resource Center, 3023 Shattuck Ave., needs compassionate volunteers to help women with cancer through its information and referral hotline, library, or in-home practical support. Time requirements are two to four hours per week for 6-12 months. Call 548-9286 ext. 309 for an application, interview and more information.

Volunteer at the Crucible, 1035 Murray St. Sharpen skills, and meet new people in

the community. All talents are appreciated. The Crucible is an educational collaboration of arts, industry and community. Call 843-5511 or e-mail crucible@jps.net for more information on how to get involved.

There is an immediate need for Home Delivered Meal volunteers at the "Open House" Senior Center to deliver noon day meals to the homebound in Kensington, El Cerrito, and Richmond Annex. For

more information, call Nichols at 215-4342.

Breast Cancer Action, an advocacy and activist organization aimed to inspire and compel the changes necessary to end the breast cancer epidemic, is seeking volunteers: A wide variety of volunteer opportunities, including events, activist and task force help, and office work during the week, are available. Call 415-243-9301, for additional information.

Berkeley's Women's Center needs off-site volunteers with mailings, fundraising events, for all volunteers who share a passion and a half hour a week to support the Center. Other on-site opportunities include answering phones, organizing administrative functions. If wishing to volunteer please call 5663 or 548-6933.



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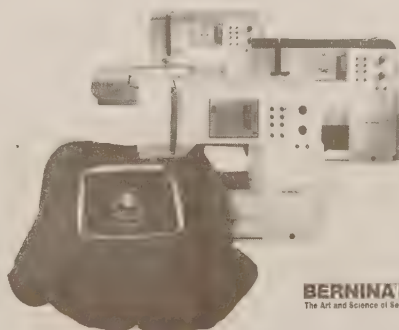
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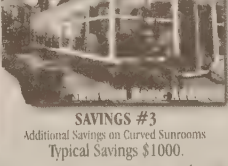


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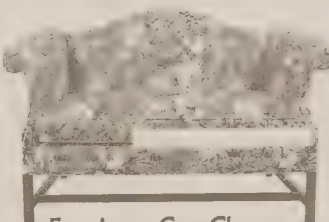


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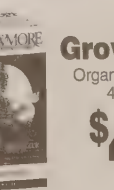
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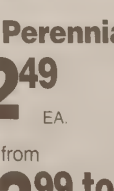
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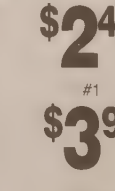
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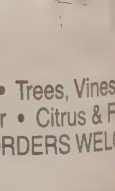
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Section D

Classic Classics Powerful pinstriped '68 Pontiac GTO [D3]



TOYOTA HIGHLANDER is available with a 2.4-liter four-cylinder engine or a bigger 3.0-liter V-6 engine that produces 220 horsepower.

2001 Toyota Highlander loaded with luxury

■ Car-like ride, powerful engines put this SUV in the Lexus class

Why is Toyota attacking its sibling? The 2001 Toyota Highlander sport utility vehicle will definitely lure customers from Toyota's sister company, Lexus, maker of the RX 300 SUV. The latter is an upscale, top-of-the-line manufacturer.

The Highlander is a mid-size SUV built on a unibody platform rather than a truck

frame. The wisdom behind this approach is that most people prefer a car-like ride, and only 5 percent of the SUV owners ever take their vehicle off-road. Therefore, a comfortable, quiet interior was the primary consideration when the Highlander went on the drawing board. What came off the drawing board is a luxurious, easy-to-manage dream machine.

Keane on Wheels

By Tom Keane

Admittedly, I viewed my tester through rose-colored-glasses. Although Toyota advertises this all-new vehicle's base price in the mid-\$25,000 range, my Highlander was loaded to the tune of \$34,605. It had everything I could want — plus more — equivalent to what I would expect of a Lexus product.

Although available with a 2.4-liter four-

cylinder engine, my tester had the bigger 3.0-liter V-6 engine that produces 220 horsepower. What impressed me most about the engine's performance is how quietly it ran, even under hard acceleration. All Highlanders are equipped with a four-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission with snow mode. At the same time, the full-time 4x4 feature provides traction when the road become hazardous.

See KEANE, Page D2

Drive, She Said

By Denise McCluggage

Where to go to find a guy like Gilbert

The symptoms presented by the ailing were as annoying as they were erratic: interior lights worked sometimes, but always; the radio was often as colicky as a newborn, and the front speakers would not at all.

After some \$600 had been left at one garage with nothing positive to show for it, the vehicle found its way to a nondescript building on Apache Street in Santa Fe. A sign on the roof read "Ernie's"; one on the street was more explicit: "Ernie's

My friend, who bills himself as a Personal Auto Consultant, was following the SUV to meet the disillusioned owner.

"I'm not of it," she had said. My friend relished trying to assure a prospective owner that the flaws didn't hurt the vehicle. Transportation was concerned. He was a transportation reverberates through the experience of ownership. Soon that disappointment would reflect back to him, and his business depended on customer satisfaction.

However, the SUV went to Ernie's. The first place of the failed therapy was in a new building, and the floor in the reception room was shiny. A receptionist had

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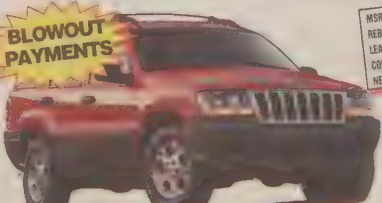
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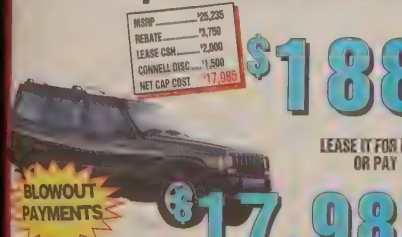
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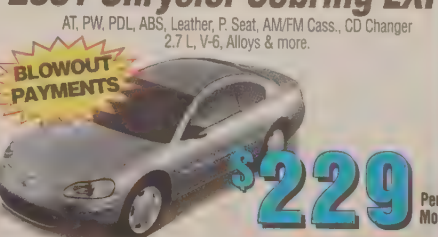


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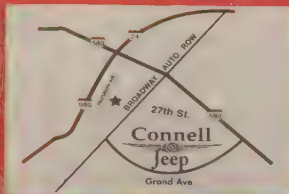
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Bridgestone/Firestone is now providing a free e-mail service to remind motorists when they should check the inflation pressure of their tires.

The service is just one component of the company's new Internet Web site, www.tire-safety.com.

The site also provides other information focusing on tires and safety.



GMC REINVENTS THE SUV with the super-stylish Terracross.

Drive

FROM PAGE D1

smiled and offered coffee. The technicians had scripted names over their breast pockets. The \$600 left behind could go a long way in buying floor wax and Styrofoam cups. Ernie's is more obviously a workplace.

No receptionist.

Nonetheless, Gilbert, who wore a shirt without the inscription, found the trouble that had stumped the other technicians and fixed it just like that.

What was the difference? Well, of course, Gilbert had the advantage of knowing what hadn't worked for the other guys, but more important: he thought like a car.

If you think like a car, you say to yourself: "What might someone have done to me that makes me act this way?"

The others thought: "What part is faulty in this car so that my replacing it will make it work right?" Gilbert told my friend: "Someone spilled a Coke on the dash, and it leaked down to the wires."

He carefully wiped the wires clean and everything worked again. All at

a fraction of what the not-fixing had cost. How did Gilbert know it was a Coke?

Well, it was sticky and brown. Could it have been a Pepsi or Dr. Pepper? Only determining the taste preferences of the SUV drivers could pin that down.

But two points emerge here: If you spill something on your instrument panel, don't assume that cleaning up the surface is the end of the matter.

At least make a note of the event so if a problem emerges later, you might have some inkling of a cause.

The other point: Find someplace like Ernie's and someone like Gilbert. Someone who thinks like a car.

How? Of course, such individuals are not in every repair shop. They are rare and getting rarer what with the emphasis these days on the ability to interpret computers and less on an intuitive affinity for things mechanical.

But quite likely someone with the right mindset and useful abilities is not far from you — known to someone you know or someone you can find.

Here are suggestions how to ferret out the mechanics and technicians who think like a car.

■ Ask people in parking lots who have cars like yours: "Where do you have your car worked on and are you happy with the place?"

■ Ask friends and fellow workers. Ask in the barbershop. Stop by a fire station and ask the guys there. Ask a cop.

■ Check out sports car clubs, single-marque owner clubs (Miatas, Mustangs, Corvettes, Prowlers, etc.) and ask members for recommendations. They usually are picky about who touches their cars.

■ Drive about in areas given to machinist's shops, transmission repair and A/C specialists looking for places like "Ernie's Auto." Ask at any place that exudes sympathetic vibes:

"Would you mind giving me phone numbers of regular customers?"

Then call the people and ask them about their experiences with the shop.

My friend suggests that when you find a well-recommended shop, open your dealings with the words: "I can only hope that you live up to your reputation."

Small shops realize that word of mouth is their lifeline. Your words tie you into that continuum.

Keane

FROM PAGE D1

More features to help prevent the Highlander from getting out of hand during on-road challenges are electronic Vehicle Skid Control, plus its mechanical companion: traction control.

These lifesaving options keep a driver from losing control when a quick turn is unexpectedly required. Realizing these components were on my test vehicle, I elevated my opinion of the Highlander quite a few notches.

Other safety features, in addition to the front airbags, are front-seat belt pretensioners and force limiters, side-door impact beams, optional side-impact airbags, and daytime running lights. This vehicle also has a fuel cut system which activates automatically in a collision.

I was really impressed when I opened the door and climbed into the driver's seat. The optional leather package made me feel like my lap was sitting in luxury.

Even the doors had costly trim, which gave the entire interior atmosphere the feeling of class and quality.

Since the Highlander is built on a platform used by a sedan, the climb was not a momentous struggle. Nevertheless, the engineers managed to provide better ground clearance and ride height. As a result, this vehicle has many of the advantages of an SUV while retaining the ride quality and quiet interior noise level of a car.

An additional pleasant surprise was the overall appeal of the vehicle's interior. When I opened the rear door, the view was very inviting, perhaps due to the light tones of the leather, or the extra spaciousness for the legs or the attractiveness of the seats. The rear deck lid raises to a large storage area.

Whatever intangibles, the appearance is much more enticing than that in other SUVs — including the RX 300.

The heating and air conditioning systems are the type found only on upscale cars.

The eight-speaker sound system that plays both CD and cassettes is top-shelf quality and among the best systems provided in all SUVs.

It will be interesting to see what happens when the other shoe drops. I know the Lexus people aren't going to take the Highlander lying down.

I'm sure they'll make every attempt to raise the bar and challenge Toyota, but as I see it, Lexus has a tough act to follow.

Specifications: 2001 Toyota Highlander

VEHICLE TYPE	5-passenger, 4-door 4X4 sport utility vehicle
BASE PRICE	\$26,495 (as tested: \$34,605)
ENGINE TYPE	V6 VVT-i 24-valve w/3-stage induction
DISPLACEMENT	3.0-liter
HORSEPOWER (net)	220 at 5800 rpm
TORQUE (lb-ft)	222 at 4400 rpm
TRANSMISSION	4-speed automatic ETC
WHEELBASE	107 in. 2717 mm
TREAD (front/rear)	62 / 62 in. 1574/1574 mm
OVERALL LENGTH	184 in. 4673 mm
OVERALL WIDTH	72 in. 1828 mm
HEIGHT	68 in. 1727 mm
TURNING (curb-to-curb)	37 ft. 11.2 m
CURB WEIGHT	3,880 lbs. 1759 kg
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1967 Pontiac GTO: Perfect car, including pinstripes

Pontiac built 81,722 GTO models in 1967. Of that number, 7,029 were hardtops and 9,517 were convertibles. The 65,176 hardtop coupes were by far the most popular.

One of these hardtop coupes was destined for Arnold Borsetti's garage. Having just completed his third year at Pennsylvania Military College in Widener University — in Berwyn, Pa., young Borsetti was back in Belmar, N.J., for the summer, staying at his parents' store. Students at his school were permitted to have cars only during their senior year. When he was doing so admirably academically, his parents said they would let him have an early graduation present. A car of his choice, within reason. Borsetti wasted no time in beginning his search. The parents drove a 1965 and tried to steer the son in that direction. A number of cars were immediately ruled out as unsuitable for a college-age driver. On Aug. 16, 1967, Borsetti first saw a Montego cream Pontiac GTO hardtop coupe with black vinyl top in the showroom of a Pontiac in nearby Lakewood. It was just what he wanted, even though it had dual black pinstripes. There was just one problem. It was purchased by someone else who had arranged a loan. The

next day a salesman telephoned to inform Borsetti that the other buyer could not arrange financing for the car. Would he be interested? He was at the dealership within the half-hour, signed the papers and even helped push the car out of the showroom.

The Pontiac GTO was prepped and gassed, and Borsetti returned Aug. 18 to get his new car. The odometer indicated it had traveled nine miles. The base price was \$2,935 for the 3,430-pound car.

The all-black interior is highlighted by the sparing use of chrome, and the simulated wood-grain panel surrounding the instruments and in the gearshift console.

From the first day Borsetti always has treated the car well. By 1985, while still very presentable, it was just an 18-year-old Pontiac with 133,000 miles on the clock.

Even in that condition, Borsetti was often accosted with offers to buy his car. He decided to give his trusty old GTO a frame-off restoration — even though, as an associate operations director for the Food and Drug Administration, he had no auto-restoration experience.

The restoration saga began in March 1985, when the car was rolled into Borsetti's garage and disassembled.

bly began. The well-worn 6.5-liter V-8 engine and transmission were sent out to be overhauled and both chrome bumpers were replaced. The remainder of the brightwork was either polished back to an original sheen or replaced. When new, Borsetti's Pontiac rolled on steel wheels with hubcaps. He replaced them with authentic and available official Pontiac Rally I wheels with F70x14-inch bias-ply Firestone redline tires.

An indication of the care the car has received is the interior. "The interior is fundamentally original," he said. He did have a new black headliner installed, as well as a new black carpet. In the center of the dashboard is the AM/FM radio with one speaker in the front and one in the rear.

A wooden, three-spoke steering wheel helps brighten the dark interior. A rally cluster has a tachometer that redlines at 5,000 rpm.

However, with no rev-limiter, the driver can continue on up to 8,000 rpm or to when the engine blows, whichever comes first. The speedometer registers speeds up to 120 mph.

Eventually the rejuvenated 400-cubic-inch engine was returned, ready once more to generate 360 horsepower, thanks in part to the new four-barrel

By Vern Parker

Rochester Quadrajet carburetor. Of course, Borsetti reports gas consumption in the 12 mpg range — if he takes it easy.

With his vehicle once more nestled in place with new wiring connected to all the correct places, Borsetti said, "It just purrs." A new black vinyl top was installed, and the final pieces of chrome were replaced in December 1991, after six years and nine months of labor. Borsetti was rewarded for the 81-month-long project when he took his car to face a rigorous inspection by Pontiac club members. At its conclusion, one of the judges told him, "That's one mean and clean street machine."

"The car runs smooth and clean between 65 and 70," Borsetti said. In the nine years since restoration, Borsetti says the absolute best moment occurred on the 30th anniversary of his graduation present.

On that exact date he entered the car in a show, winning best of show. As he collected his prize he uttered, "This one's for you, Julie and Pete," remembering his deceased parents.

No magic potion to fix Jag's leak

Dear Doctor: I am an avid reader of your column and would appreciate your input. I recently purchased a 1988 Jaguar XJ6 sedan and love

it. I developed an oil leak at the rear wheel seal. The shop said to replace the seal, but the transmission has to be out to access the seal. Is there a magic potion I can buy to stop the leak?

—Sid
Dear Sid: There is no magic potion that will swell up a worn-out seal. The rear seal is the only leak in the Jag, then spend the money and get it fixed.

Dear Doctor: I own a 1994 Honda Accord. For the past year, when I fill the tank, the gauge reads only 1/2. What would it take to fix the gauge?

—Marianne
Dear Marianne: The most common problem related to inaccurate gauges is faulty tank gas meters. This is a common wear-out item.

The shop will perform a simple test to check the gauge and sender.

Dear Doctor: I own a 1987 Blazer S-10 4X4. The tilt steering column wobbles side to side and up and down.

The problem is the bolts that hold the tilt section to the steering column are broken, and they are not available anymore. How can I secure the tilt section?

—Dennis
Dear Dennis: I wish all problems were this simple. Many steering column rebuilding companies have all needed parts in stock.

Some companies even come out to body shops to make the repair. Another choice is a used steering column from a salvage yard.

Dear Doctor: We own a 1998 Chrysler Concord LXI with 33,000 miles. Occasionally after the engine is shut off, the starter will not engage when the key is turned to start.

The dealer has replaced the starter and ignition. The problem still

Ask the Auto Doctor

By Junior Damato

exists. The car has 3,000 miles left on the warranty. Any ideas?

—Tom
Dear Tom: Trying to start a warm engine will always show up any starter or voltage drop problems such as yours. Your problem can be as simple as a weak battery, or possibly poor ground or positive connection. Even an alarm starter interrupt circuit can cause this problem. Have the shop check the charging system and load-test the battery.

Next, check and clean all connections, including the negative cable at the engine block. There needs to be 12 volts at the starter motor to crank the engine over. In some cases, you may get the engine hot and then go to the shop. The technician will then test the voltage at the starter when trying to restart the hot engine.

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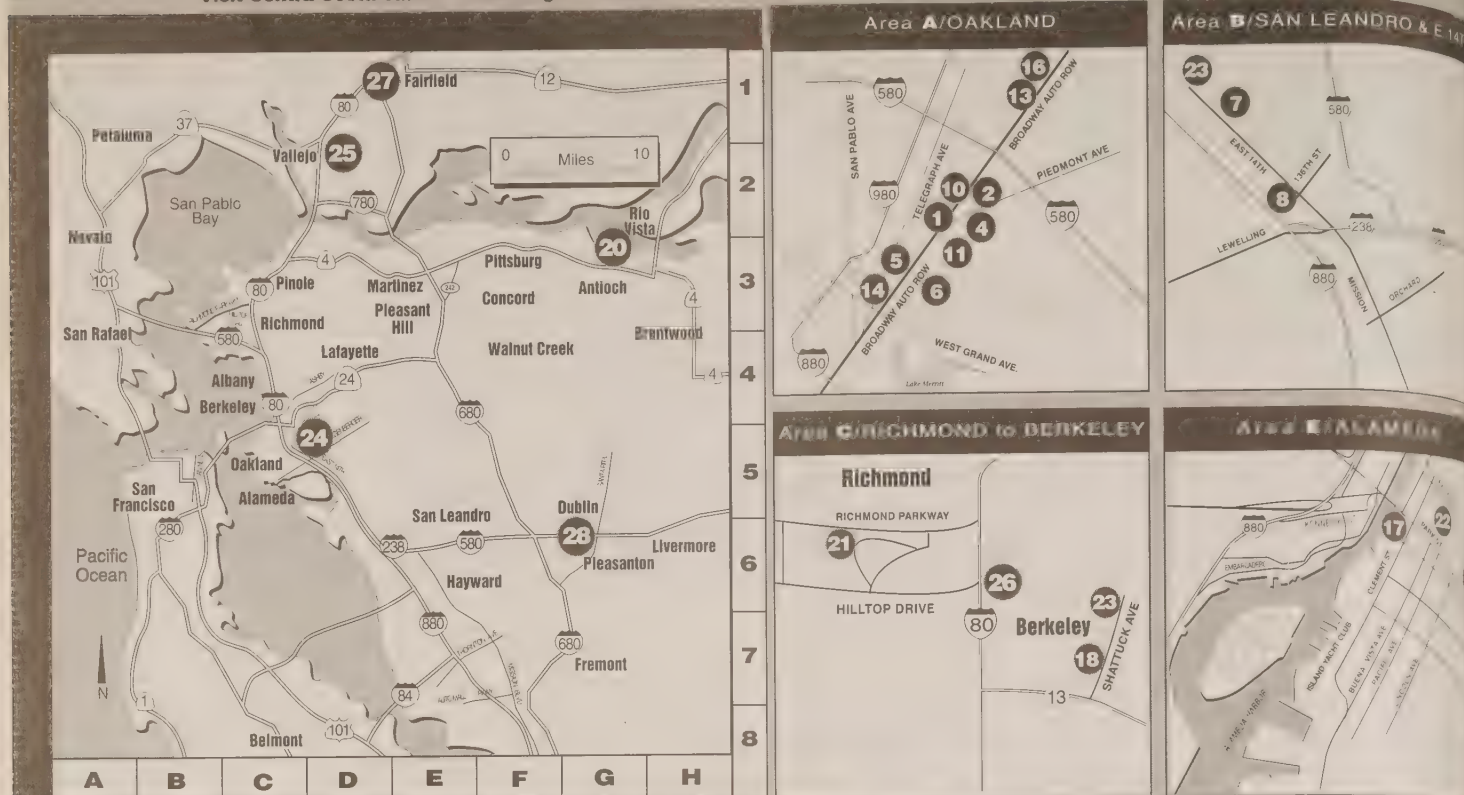
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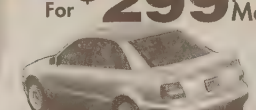
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Delicious, goliath shrimp take over New York City

New restaurant trend in eating enormous crustaceans may not be for the squeamish.

By Eric Asimov
NEW YORK TIMES NEWS SERVICE

NEW YORK — They stare up from the plate at Esca, a seafood restaurant in the theater district, like mischievous prehistoric monsters, long legs projecting forward under eyes the size of gray capers, their legs gathered and curled around their fleshy bodies, braised fennel strewn across the top. Their size is striking, as big as the arc made by the thumb and middle finger and as thick as a hot carrot.

Yes, these are shrimp, and not merely jumbo shrimp, as the quaint old oxymoron goes. They are "chernobyl shrimp," as David Pasternack, the chef at Esca, gleefully puts it, the biggest of the jumbo, served with fearsome heads intact, and they are the outer limit of the shrimp that have been adorning plates all over New York.

At Aquagrill in SoHo, the huge shrimp arrive in a tender embrace over earthy cranberry beans and a sweet carrot sauce. At Smith Street Kitchen in Brooklyn, they rear up out of a bowl of bouillabaisse like swimming right whales getting ready to sound. At Oceana in Midtown, they are served in bouillabaisse as well as in a sliced spring roll, their tails spilling out of the wrappers like the ends of foot long hot dogs.

"Attack of the Giant Shrimp" may sound like an awful B movie, but these monsters are winning raves from chefs. Not only are they big,

appealing to the American propensity for size, but they taste great, full of the briny, shrimp quality lacking in many of their lesser siblings.

"I'm always trying to get large shrimp," said Rick Moonen, the chef at Oceana. "It's that whole thing, bigger is better."

Until just a few years ago, shrimp distributors reserved their head-on shrimp for the European market, thinking that Americans would be repelled by them. Then, one company started to sell the head-on shrimp to a few Portuguese restaurants seven or eight years ago, and they slowly began to show up in other sorts of restaurants, until they took off about two years ago.

The objects of chefs' shrimp affections are most often head-on Pacific white shrimp, technically *Penaeus vannamei*, caught wild off Guatemala and sold under the Maya brand name. For perspective, ordinary headless shrimp that are sold as "large" are 31 to 35 to the pound. Those called "jumbo" are sold 21 to 25 to the pound, while "super colossals" are fewer than 12 to the pound. The Maya head-on shrimp are about 5 to 10 to the pound, and occasionally even under 5 to the pound.

"They are almost the size of lobsters," Pasternack said. "People have a fascination with size, but they are also one of the great products on the market."

Flavor, of course, is the bottom line, and chefs seem almost unanimously to feel that those shrimp

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TONY CENICOLA/THE NEW YORK TIMES

SEATED 'CHERNOBYL' SHRIMP (technically *Penaeus vannamei*) ponder the way their kind used to be served: sans space-alien heads. While this may be the new trend in fashionable New York restaurants, frequenters of any local hole-in-the-wall Oriental cuisine place will recognize the fearsome face of shrimp, eye stalks, feelers and all, though perhaps not on so grand a scale. These delectable monsters are caught wild off Guatemala and sold under the Maya brand name. Are you brave enough to take on new adventures in seafood?

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Preparation time: 15 minutes
Marinating time: 30 minutes-2 1/2 hours
Cooking time: 40 minutes
Yield: 6 servings
1/4 cup soy sauce
3 cloves garlic, minced
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
1 piece (1-inch long) ginger root, minced
1 tablespoon each: olive oil, oyster sauce
Freshly ground pepper
2 pork tenderloins, about 2 to 2 1/2 pounds total
1/2 onion, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
1 cup chicken broth
1/2 cup white wine
1 tablespoon cold water
1 teaspoon cornstarch
1. Mix together soy sauce, garlic, mustard, ginger, olive oil, oyster sauce and pepper to taste in small bowl; set aside. Place pork in

shallow roasting pan. Pour marinade over; turn meat to coat well. Marinate 30 minutes at room temperature or 2 1/2 hours in refrigerator.

2. Heat oven to 400 degrees. Drain and reserve marinade from pork. Place onion pieces underneath tenderloins. Tuck under thinner end pieces of the pork. Roast 20 minutes; brush pork with reserved marinade. Continue roasting until pork temperature reaches 150 degrees on instant-read thermometer, about 10 minutes. Do not overcook. Remove meat to cutting board; cover loosely with foil.

3. Meanwhile, put roasting pan over medium-high heat; add broth and wine. Heat to boil, scraping up brown bits and pieces of onion; cook until reduced by half, about 6 minutes. Mix water and cornstarch in small bowl; stir into sauce. Cook until thickened, about 2 minutes. Season to taste with pepper. Slice tenderloins about 1/2-inch thick;

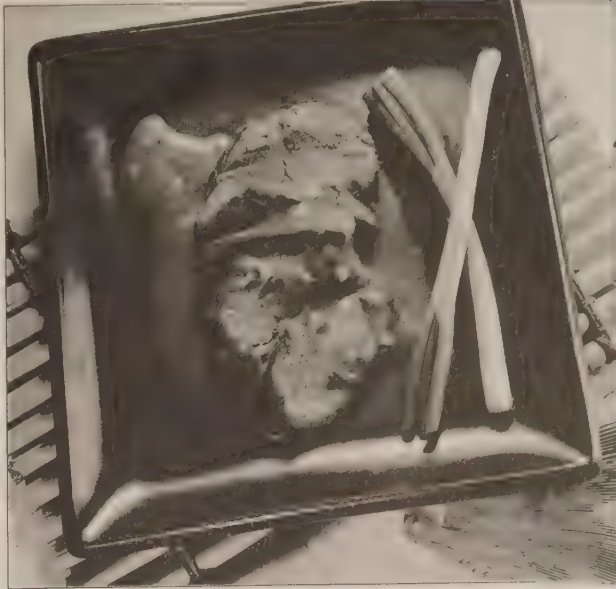
place on platter. Pour sauce over meat.

Nutrition information per serving: calories 390, fat 11 g, saturated fat 3.8 g, percentage of calories from fat 28, cholesterol 180 mg, sodium 460 mg, protein 65 g, carbohydrate 1.9 g, fiber 0.2 g.

Basic roast leg of lamb

Preparation time: 25 minutes
Cooking time: 1 hour
Yield: 12 servings
1 whole leg of lamb, about 8 pounds
6 cloves garlic, cut into slivers
2 tablespoons olive oil
2 teaspoons each: ground thyme, kosher salt
1 teaspoon crushed rosemary
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Remove most of surface fat from lamb. Make tiny cuts in surface of lamb

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ROASTED PORK TENDERLOIN with Asian flavors. Preparation time: 15 minutes. Marinating time: 30 minutes-2 1/2 hours. Cooking time: 40 minutes. Yield: 6 servings.

Shrimp

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have the elusive qualities of taste and texture that they require. One reason is doubtless the head, which contains the tomalley, or liver, and the surrounding fat, which is packed with flavor.

"The flavor is great," said Jeremy Marshall, the chef and co-owner of Aquagrill. "You can take the head off and suck it like a crayfish, and you get all that juicy, creamy flavor."

While thoughts of sucking shrimp heads may inspire fantasies of T-shirts, beers and hunting camps in the Cajun bayous, it does seem to pose an icky obstacle to fastidious New Yorkers. Indeed, cursory observation suggests that New Yorkers spend more time pushing shrimp heads around on a plate than sucking on them.

"We can pop off the heads if it's a problem, but people can appreciate that there's more flavor," said Michael Brack, the lead chef and an owner at Smith Street Kitchen, who considers shrimp-head sucking in his dining room "a little over-the-top."

Whatever objections diners may have to sucking heads, though, they are embracing the shrimp with their eyes wide open.

"The consumption of large head-on shrimp has increased fivefold in a period of two years," said Richard Martin, an owner of Wild Edibles, a seafood wholesaler.

"I think every chef in New York City knows what head-on Maya shrimp are now."

Martin remembers eating head-on shrimp all the time in Brittany, where he grew up, but says that Americans have shied away from seafood with heads. "It's work on the plate," he said. "It's like eating whole fish, which were practically nonexistent in restaurants five years ago."

The giant head-on shrimp were also practically nonexistent five years ago, when Val's Ocean Pacific, a Brooklyn wholesaler, started distributing them in the New York area. "At first a head-on shrimp like that was a hard sell, but a few Italian restaurants started using them and others picked up on it," said Val Ricca, the owner.

The Ladex Corp. in Miami has actually been importing and distributing Maya shrimp of all sizes in New York for 30 years, but always the headless variety, said Ralph Bru, the chief operating officer.

"About seven or eight years ago we started selling the head-on shrimp in New York for specialty markets, like Portuguese restaurants, and we started doing really well," Bru said. "And we've really seen a boom in the last two or three years."

The question of whether to serve shrimp with the heads is rarely up to a chef. Almost all shrimp are beheaded at sea after they are caught or harvested, and before they are

frozen for shipping. A small percentage, regardless of size, are sold with heads on, like sweet, delicate Maine shrimp, but of the large ones, the Maya shrimp dominate the head-on market.

Some restaurants continue to prefer headless shrimp, as long as they are big. Estiatorio Milos on West 55th Street uses Bee Gee shrimp, which are caught off the coast of Guyana. They are almost as big as the Maya, though headless, and served surrounding a brochette of scallops like the twin C's in a giant Chanel logo. Moonen at Oceana is experimenting with the head-off spot prawn from EcoFish, which he says is shorter but fatter than the Maya.

While diners may prefer bigger shrimp for the same reason they prize tank-like SUV's, chefs say the extreme size makes them easier to cook and better to eat.

"They're really meaty, and you really get a mouthful, the full flavor of the shrimp," said Pasternack, the chef at Esca. "They're more difficult to overcook, they're so large." He said the huge shrimp are best in quick preparations like grilling and searing, and are especially good marinated.

Most of the giant shrimp are caught wild, which has more to do with economics than the preference of chefs. Despite the demand, shrimp farmers are reluctant to cultivate big shrimp, since the smaller sizes are far more profitable, said Dixie Blake, of Ocean Garden Products in San Diego, the country's largest wholesaler of shrimp. They prefer to harvest shrimp four to six months old, though shrimp don't reach full size until about a year. Some famed shrimp do reach epic proportions, like Asian tiger shrimp, but many chefs disdain the watery texture of those shrimp, which they say directly affects the

taste. While the head-on shrimp are getting easier to find on restaurant menus, they are elusive in the retail market. The retail branch of Wild Edibles in Grand Central Market carries them for \$21 to \$25 a pound, but very few other fish shops do, although some will take special orders.

"The typical American shoppers," said Ricca of Val's, "don't want to mess with the shell, much less the head."

Giant shrimp with artichokes and fennel

Time: 1 hour
Adapted from Esca
Leaves of 2 sprigs fresh rosemary
4 cloves garlic, peeled and thinly sliced
4 tablespoons high-quality extra virgin olive oil
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
16 jumbo shrimp, cleaned and deveined
10 medium to large artichokes
1 teaspoon hot red pepper flakes
2 fennel bulbs, trimmed and thinly sliced
2 sprigs fresh thyme
1 bay leaf
1/4 cup lemon juice
Lemon-flavored olive oil (available in specialty food markets)
1. Combine rosemary, garlic, 2 tablespoons olive oil, and salt and

pepper to taste in medium bowl. Add shrimp, and turn until well coated. Marinate at room temperature for 30 to 60 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, preheat oven to 350 degrees. Using a paring knife, trim stem and outer artichoke leaves to tender hearts.

Quarter hearts lengthwise, and cut out choke. Place in a mixing bowl; add remaining olive oil, pepper flakes, and salt and pepper to taste.

Spread across a baking sheet, and bake until artichokes are tender, about 20 minutes. Remove from heat, and keep warm.

3. In a medium saucepan, combine fennel, thyme, bay leaf and lemon juice. Stir in 1/2 cup water. Cover and simmer over medium-low heat until tender, about 20 minutes.

4. Prepare a grill, or heat a large griddle or skillet until very hot. Grill or sear shrimp until pink, 2 to 3 minutes on each side.

Transfer to a large bowl, and add artichoke hearts and fennel. Drizzle with lemon-flavored olive oil to taste, and toss until well blended. Divide among 4 plates, and serve. Yield: 4 servings.

Glazed maya shrimp with carrot-ginger sauce

Time: 1 hour
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1/4 cup honey
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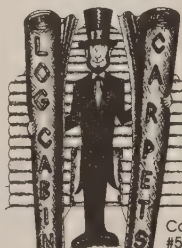
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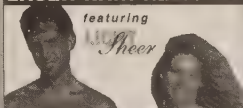
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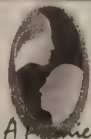
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Solvang's Danish tradition includes pastry baking

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Solvang, in Santa Barbara County, makes the most of its Danish heritage. The place name, derived from the Danish for "sunny fields," reflects the local climate.

A Danish-American colony was founded here by Danish educators who moved from the Midwest around 1910 to the site of a Spanish mission dating back more than a century earlier.

Solvang is sometimes dubbed "Little Denmark" and it's now a tourist haunt. Visitors come for attractions that range from picturesque architecture, timber and brick frame buildings with hand-carved wooden scrollwork and leaded windows, to plenty of places to taste traditional food.

A main draw is sampling specialty dishes at a variety of Danish-themed eating places. These range from informal cafes to traditional copper-roofed restaurants and a clutch of bakeries.

Bent Olsen, of Olsen's Danish Village Bakery, is a third-generation Danish bakery owner who arrived here in 1970. He bakes pastries based on recipes from Old World favorites that came from the original Olsen family bakery, established in Denmark in 1890.

Pastries, Bent says, are to Denmark what apple pie is to the U.S.

Bent went on to confirm this hint that he's an outright fan. "When I leave Solvang for three or four days, what do I miss most?" he asked, then gleefully answered his own question. "A pastry! I still love it, I eat two or three a day."

There's a difference between

what Americans know as Danish pastries and the rich-tasting originals that people in Denmark still make, he says. "The amount of butter we roll into the cakes is much more."

Almond custard kringle
Recipe from Olsen's Danish Village Bakery, Solvang.

Butterscotch Filling:

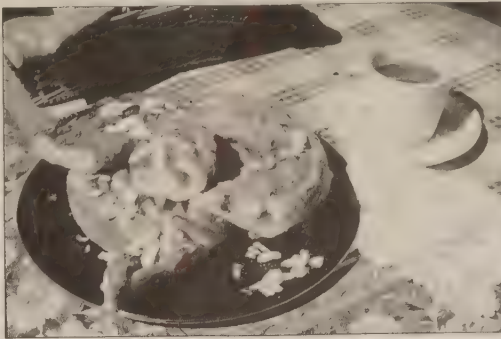
- 1 cup almond paste
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/3 cup butter
- Pinch salt
- Pinch cinnamon
- 1/2 egg white
- Custard Filling:
 - 1 cup custard (use instant custard)
- Kringle Dough:
 - 3/4 cup butter or margarine, softened
 - 1 package cake yeast
 - 1/4 cup warm water
 - 1/4 cup lukewarm milk
 - 1/4 cup sugar
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon lemon extract
 - 1 egg
 - 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 - A little jam or 1 tablespoon raisins, optional filling

Toppings:
2 tablespoons milk
2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons sliced almonds

To prepare Butterscotch Filling: Mix almond paste, brown sugar, butter, salt, cinnamon and egg white until smooth. Set aside. Prepare custard; set aside.

To prepare Kringle: Divide butter in half and spread each half on an 8-by-8-inch square of waxed paper. Chill.

Dissolve yeast in warm water. Add lukewarm milk, sugar, salt,



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ALMOND CUSTARD KRINGLE, derived from a traditional Danish pastry, is made of layers of dough folded over butter, shaped into a round twist.

lemon extract and egg, mix well. Add flour and mix until smooth. Divide dough in half.

Roll half of dough on well-floured board to an 8-by-12-inch rectangle. Place 1 square of chilled butter on two-thirds of dough rectangle. Fold uncovered third of dough over the middle third, then fold the remaining third over the top. Again, fold one end over middle third and fold remaining third over top, making a square of nine layers. Wrap in waxed paper and refrigerate 30 minutes.

Roll dough again to an 8-by-12-inch rectangle. Add second square of chilled butter and fold again as before. This makes 18 layers. Refrigerate dough 2 hours.

Cut dough into two equal pieces. Lightly roll one piece at a time, until piece is about 20 by 6 inches.

Spread center third of dough with 1/2 of prepared Butterscotch Filling. Add 1/2-cup custard and optional raisins or jam. Fold one of the long edges to the middle. Moisten other edge and fold over the top to cover filling. Seal well. Put Kringle on greased baking sheet and form into oval or twist-crest shape, pressing ends together to form continuous circle. Flatten dough slightly with palms of hands.

Cover with waxed paper and leave 1 hour at room temperature. Brush top with milk, sprinkle with sugar and almonds and bake at 350 F for 25 to 30 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 2 Kringles of about 12 servings each.

Nutrition information per serving: 455 cal., 25 g fat, 90 mg chol., 378 mg sodium, 7 g pro., 54 g carbo., 2 g dietary fiber.

Roast

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using sharp knife; insert garlic slivers. Rub outside of lamb with oil. Mix together thyme, salt, rosemary and pepper in small dish; rub over surface of meat.

2. Roast until instant-read thermometer reads 125 degrees for rare, about 1 hour. Or cook further as desired to 130 degrees for medium-rare, about 35 minutes, or to 140 degrees for medium. Let rest 20 minutes before carving.

Nutrition information per serving:

calories 450, fat 29 g, saturated fat 12 g, percentage of calories from fat 60, cholesterol 155 mg, sodium 425 mg, protein 44 g, carbohydrate 0.8 g, fiber 0.2 g

Lawry's prime rib
Preparation time: 10 minutes
Cooking time: 2 hours
Yield: 8 servings

Executive chef Jackie Shen shares the recipe for the legendary Lawry's prime rib. (Adapted for home cooks, of course. They roast six whole roasts at a time in a convection oven. Shen cooks them to only 100 degrees for rare.) Part of what makes Lawry's prime rib so

lusciously tender is that the meat is aged for 21 days. If you want to try aged meat at home, ask your butcher if he can age it for you.

Rock or kosher salt
1 4-rib prime rib roast (about 8 pounds)

4 tablespoons seasoning salt

1. Heat oven to 450 degrees. Place rock salt to cover bottom of roasting pan. Trim fat from roast, leaving about 1/4 inch of fat on top. Rub seasoning salt generously over top and sides.

2. Roast 30 minutes. Reduce temperature to 350 degrees; cook 30 minutes. Check internal temperature of roast with instant-read

thermometer; continue roasting until internal temperature reaches 120 degrees for rare, about 1 hour. Cook further if desired to 130 degrees for medium-rare or 140 degrees for medium. Let rest 20 minutes before carving.

Nutrition information per serving: 645, fat 55 g, saturated fat 23 g, percentage of calories from fat 78, cholesterol 135 mg, sodium 620 mg, protein 35 g, carbohydrate 0.2 g, fiber 0 g, calories 645, fat 55 g, saturated fat 23 g, percentage of calories from fat 78, cholesterol 135 mg, sodium 620 mg, protein 35 g, carbohydrate 0.2 g, fiber 0 g.



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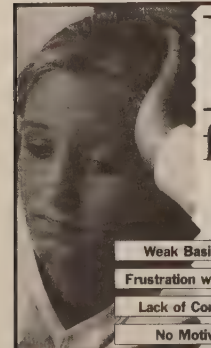
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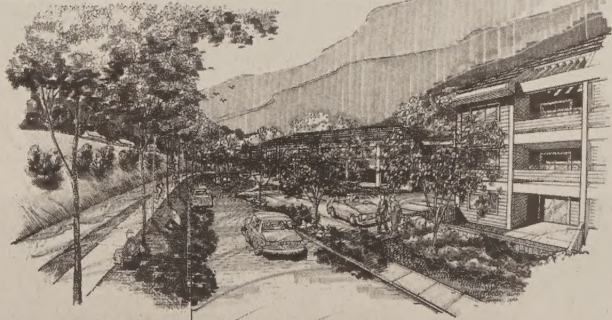
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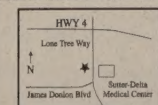
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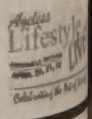
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Byron Park is located in a secure and ideal country setting between Rossmore and downtown Walnut Creek. Most did not think they were "ready yet" when they first came to Byron Park to visit. They were pleasantly surprised! For more information about Byron Park, or to request a brochure or tour, please call (925) 937-1700 or 1-800-937-7974.

St. Teresa Assisted Living Now Open in Pleasant Hill!

Seniors in Contra Costa County now have a new choice in senior housing. St. Teresa, an 86-bed assisted living facility located in Pleasant Hill, is now accepting reservations for its November opening.

St. Teresa is aesthetically pleasing and functional while including all the characteristics that senior residents desire. The layout and décor are designed to offer an environment that soothes the senses. "So often seniors are limited by health conditions that prevent them from experiencing the outdoors, and this environment brings some of those pleasing elements inside for them to enjoy. The entire layout of St. Teresa complements this open, airy concept. All of the interior rooms lead out to a private and secure courtyard, and each room along the perimeter has its own private patio." Other amenities include voice activated emer-

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St. Teresa is located in Pleasant Hill at 540 Patterson Boulevard. Introductory monthly rates are: semi-private, assisted living unit is \$1700;

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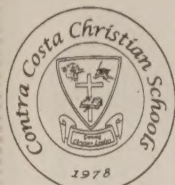
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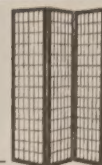
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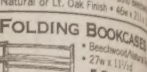
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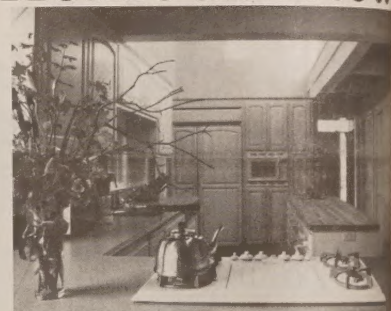
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When their children became involved with the local swim teams, they had parents approach them and ask advice regarding their pool equipment. Dave and Marie decided to expand their business to include pool supplies and other product lines. Two years ago they changed the name to Wet & Warm Home Center. The Durkins sell high quality pool supplies, above ground pools, spas, stoves, and offer a full repair service.

Dave and Marie research all the products that they sell very carefully to ensure their customers are getting the best quality products. Marie commented, "Everything we sell, we warranty the products ourselves so you do not have to go to anyone else."

Dave is the Northern California Chapter President for the NSPI, which stands for the National Spa & Pool Institute. Marie Durkin was the very first woman certified in Northern California with the NSPI. To keep up their certification, they must go through 40 hours of training every couple of years.

If you are looking for a new spa, Wet & Warm Home Center carries well-known brands such as Baja, Softub & Blue Pacific. They can arrange financing for your spa or pool purchase as well. The Durkins also have a large selection of stoves to choose from that include popular names like Lopi, Australflam, Pacific Energy, Reliant, FPX (Fireplace Extrodinaire), and also carry pellet BBQ's.

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